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POETRY.

The Land of the Afternoon.

An old man sits in his garden chair,
Watching the sunlit western sky;
What sees he in the blue depth there,
Where only the Isles of Memory lie?
There are princely towers and castles high,
There are gardens fairer than human ken,
There are happy children thronging by,
Radiant women and stately men,
Singing with voices of sweet attune,
The songs of the Land of the Afternoon.

The old man watches a form of cloud,
That floats where the azure islands are,
And he sees a homestead gray and loved,
And a hand that beckons him afar.
O cheek of roses and hair of gold!
O eyes of heaven's divinest blue!
Long have ye lain in the graveyard mould—
But love is infinite, love is true;
He will find her—yes—it must be soon;
They will meet in the Land of the Afternoon.

The sky has changed, and a wreck of cloud,
Is driving athwart its troubled face.
The golden mist is a trailing shroud,
It is cold and bleak in the garden place.
The old man smiles and droops his head,
The thin hair blows from his wrinkled brow,
The sunset radiance has appeared,
O'er every wasted feature now;
One sight exhales like a breath in June—
He has found the Land of the Afternoon.

By the Fire.

She sat and mused by the drift-wood fire
As the leaping flames flashed high and higher
And the phantoms of youth, as fair and bright,
Grew for her gaze in the ruddy light;
The blossoms she gathered in life's young days
Wreathed and waved in the flickering blaze;
And she laughed through a sunny mist of tears,
That rose at the dream of her April years;
And ever and aye the sudden rain
Flashed on the glittering window pane.

Sobered and saddened the pictures that showed,
As the drift-wood logs to red core glowed,
And the fancied figures of older time
Passed with the steadier step of their prime;
The daisies and snowdrops bloomed and died,
Red roses and lilies stood side by side,
While richer and fuller, and deeper grew
The lines of the pictures August drew;
And ever and aye the falling rain
Streamed thick and fast on the window-pane.

The drift-wood died down into feathery ash,
Where faintly and fitfully shone the flash;
Slowly and sadly her pulses beat,
And soft was the fall, as of vanishing feet;
And lush and green, as from guarded grave,
She saw the grass of the valley wave;
And like echoes in ruins seemed to sigh,
The "wet west wind" that went wandering by,
And caught the sweep of the sullen rain,
And dashed it against the window-pane.

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

Addie's Experience.

"Oh—but he loves me dearly, Aunt Sarah, and he will always love me!" cried Addie Lollard earnestly, and with enthusiasm

"I know he loves you, sweet Addie," replied her aunt; and she spoke seriously, and with a solemn look. "I know he loves you, truly and devotedly, and for that very reason would I have you careful. And, moreover, his love is worth cherishing. I have known George Worthen ever since he was a child, and I know how good, and generous and upright he is; and if ever there comes a coldness between you it will not be his fault."

"Oh—don't. Why will you talk so, aunt? A coldness come between George and me? Impossible!"

"Ah, Addie, you speak now from the promptings of love; but mind you, even love cannot long exist on nothing. You view it through the rose-colored atmosphere that surrounds you, and all the plants that spring up in the path seem to be only roses, but in the time to come you may not find it so. You may find roses enough, but believe me, you will have to guard them well, and nurture them continually, or the sweet blossoms may droop and die, and leave only thorns to your gentle touch."

"Aunt Sarah, what do you mean?" exclaimed the beautiful girl, seemingly at a loss to comprehend the drift of her aged relative's remarks. "One would think, to hear you talk, that I did not love George as well as I ought."

"My child, just compare yourself with George. He is a lawyer, and one of the best in the county. He is a scholar of the highest rank, with an intellect of rare power, and an assiduous student. The great aim of his life is to take a high and commanding position in the world of mind. Now, if all his energies are bent in that direction, must not those objects which can retain his love and esteem approximate to the same standard?"

"And do you mean to say that I must be as intellectual as he is, in order to retain his love?"

"No, no, my child—not by any means. I mean only to say that you must sympathize with him in all his noble undertakings, and strive to feel an interest in those subjects which engross his attention. If you do this, he will be sure to feel a corresponding interest in your affairs. But this must be mutual; and it will be you who will have to study and labor to keep up. I know that your education in the learning of the world has been neglected; but, thanks to your kind mother, you have an education of heart and soul, which is good and pure. And, when you become George's wife, you have only to study and labor—study and labor in love—to keep the flowers of joy and peace in perpetual bloom. But, mark me, this labor will be needed; and it will not be labor in vain; for if you cultivate those feelings which you ought to cultivate, every upward step will be an honor and blessing to yourself."

Addie received the lessons of her aunt kindly, for she knew that the old lady loved her, and only sought her good; but, she could not see that any possibility could arise to cloud the love of herself and George. "Others may have become unhappy," she said, "but they could not have loved as we love."

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Addie became the wife of George Worthen, and she was so happy that she thought it almost wicked to think of clouds. But as time rolled on and the duties of mother were added to her lot, she began to find that the lamp of love needed trimming sometimes, and that the flame of love would not burn without being fed. She had been married five years when she received a visit from Aunt Sarah. The good old lady spent some time with her, and was not long in discovering the cloud that had arisen—for a cloud there was.

"Addie," said Aunt Sarah, "do you remember a conversation you and I had before you were married?"

"We had a good many," remarked Mrs. Worthen, looking up from her work.

"But I mean one which you should particularly remember at this time."

The young wife bowed her head, and a perceptible tremor shook her frame.

"Don't you remember what I told you then?" the old lady pursued. "And have you not found it as I said? Forgive me, Addie—for I love you too well not to speak plainly now. There has come a coldness between you and your husband."

"I knew it—I knew you had seen it," and then Addie raised her hands to her face and burst into tears.

Her aunt moved to her side and took her hands away from her tear-wet face and held them fast.

"How could I help seeing it, my child? I saw it when I first entered your house, I saw that the cloud had come. Addie, this should not be so."

"But—aunt—I cannot help it," the unhappy wife replied. "George is cold and reserved, and he spends but little time at home; and even when he is here he is no company for me."

"And how much company do you make for him?"

"The same as I always did."

"But your husband has been advancing—he has been ascending in fame and honor. How much have you yielded him in his labors?"

"I have loved him always."

"Aye—and so he has loved you—loved you almost too well for his own happiness if you cannot give him more joy. But I will come right to the point and show you where the difficulty is. Last evening, when George came in, he was all wrought up by enthusiasm in the great case which he has now in hand. You know how important the case is, and how much depends upon his efforts."

"I know something about it," replied Addie.

"But do you not understand its merits?"

"No—I can't say that I do."

"Is it possible?" Addie, I could not have believed this had it been told me by another."

"But George has never told me anything about it."

"Have you ever evinced any wish to know anything about it? Answer me, Addie. Have you ever betrayed any real desire to understand it?"

"I don't know that I have. I have enough else to attend to without seeking to bother myself with his business."

"Now, Addie," said the old lady with startling solemnity, "you have shown the whole secret of your trouble. Just recall the words you have spoken and weigh them well. You cannot bother yourself to feel an interest in your husband's business! But listen. When he came in, last evening, he was hopeful and happy. He believed he had found a new point which would help him materially in his case. The book he wished to refer to happened to be in the house. He got it, and, upon looking, he found the point he sought."

"It was a principle of law, and when he found it, I saw his face brighten and his eye sparkle. He spoke his gladness and he looked toward you. He wanted a word of cheer from your lips. But you gave him not even a smile. You seemed to care nothing at all for the success he met with. I did not wonder when I saw the cloud come upon his brow, nor did I wonder that he seeks elsewhere the sympathy which he cannot find at home."

"But, Aunt Sarah, what interest can I feel in his law questions? They are all Greek to me."

"Aye, there it is! You ought to make yourself feel an interest in them by trying to understand them."

"But how shall I gain that understanding? He explains nothing to me."

"Are you blind, Addie? Will you not see a thing when it is placed directly before you? The step you would have to take to seek this understanding would remove the cloud and bring your joy all back. The moment you evince a desire to understand the different important cases which your husband has to dispose of, that moment he will seek your society and devote himself to giving you the information. You freely own that you have never felt any interest in these matters, and it was this I feared ere you became his wife."

"I saw very plainly that this would be an intellectual battle, and you would have have to follow him with your love and sympathy if you would retain his warmest regards. But it is not yet too late, my dear. You can see the evil, and if you will be guided by me you may be as happy as ever. Will you listen?"

Addie was inclined at first to palliate and excuse herself; but finally she came to see the truth, and she promised that she would make the trial which her aunt demanded.

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George Worthen moved back from the tea-table, and when he reached the sitting-room he took up a book which he had brought home, and as he looked it over he marked certain passages, and turned down the corners of the leaves. He looked cold and severe and she hesitated in her plan. She feared to try the experiment then. But something whispered to her if she should call him out from such a state the result would be still more satisfactory.

"George," she said, in a very low tone, but she called up a pleasant look as she spoke, "what are you marking all over that book for?"

"They are only pencil marks and will be easily erased if I wish," he answered, without looking up.

A shadow flitted across Addie's face, and for a moment she felt like giving up; but she had made up her mind to have a fair trial, and she persevered.

"But what are you marking them for?" she asked.

"I am hunting up points of law as given in the decisions and charges of various judges."

"Are you going to use them?"

"Yes."

"Should she try again? Yes—once more."

"Are they points that will be of use to you in this case of the corporation and the land-owners on the river?"

"Yes, love," answered the lawyer, speaking more considerately than before, and looking up from his book.

The change in her husband's look and tone gave her courage.

"George," she proceeded, "I am sadly ignorant upon those law questions, and perhaps, needlessly so. I know I ought to be able at least to understand your labors, if I cannot assist you with my advice. I wish you would teach me."

"Teach you!" cried George, with a brightening eye. "You don't know what a joy it would give me."

"Then why not commence now? Will you explain to me the nature of this case you have in hand?"

George shut up his book and moved nearer to his wife's side. He told her that the suit was brought on by the owners of land upon the river to recover heavy damages, which they alleged had been sustained in consequence of an alteration of the dam of the manufacturing company. After he had stated the case as plainly as he could, he explained to her the different points of evidence which bore upon it, and also the different points of law; and ere long she began to grow really interested.

There was something novel and curious in the subtle bearing of facts when she understood them, and it was really entertaining to follow them out in their relations to law and reason. At length she began to ask questions—and she asked for information, too; for beneath the influence of her husband's zeal and ingenuity of opening the case she had caught the spark and become zealous also.

And so the evening passed away; and it was the happiest Addie had spent for a long while. She saw where the cloud had come from, and she saw how it might be banished; and, moreover, she resolved that it should be banished henceforth and forever.

"How goes your case, George?" she asked the following evening. "Have you gained any further assurance?"

"I have all I want. I am sure of carrying the day."

"Oh, I hope you will."

"That hope is worth an extra fee," the husband cried, putting his arm around his wife's neck and kissing her. "Give me your smile of cheer, sweet Addie, and I'll go on without fear."

And he had it ever after that. From that time Addie strove to feel an interest in his business, and she was surprised to find how easily she could comprehend things which heretofore had appeared so enigmatical to her. Her husband sought her society more and more; he gave her all his confidence; he revealed to her all his hope and fears; he stated to her all the points he meant to establish in the cases he had entered on his docket; and in time she was able, not only to give him her sympathy and cheer, but she could frequently give him words of counsel that were of value.

And were her own affairs forgotten during all this time? By no means. The more interest she manifested in her husband's affairs, the more earnest was he to help her out in hers. She had labored some to attain the perfect joy she sought, but the very labor had become a source of joy in itself, as all labors must become which are of love and duty.

Uncle Daniel's Trip to Norway in the Summer of 1817.

"Well I am a-going to Norway, today.

"As there are but two ways to get there, one is over the Gore past Loring Brett's and Daniel Green's (to where Dr. Green now lives) thence up the old Everett Hill and finally down the Pike Hill, the other way is down Greeley Hill, and this is the course I shall take.

"I live about 24 miles west of Craiges' Mill, (Oxford Village.) One half miles carries me out of Otisfield into Hebron, Oxford Co., and Capt. Anderson's is the only house I pass in Otisfield. After wending my way among the trees and rocks I get down the hill and cross the brook, it is the outlet of Sand Pond in Norway. On the east side of the bridge and within ten feet of the water is the log mansion of Mr. Greeley (From this point the road was as now traveled from Ritchville to the Otisfield road). It soon begins to leave to the right and crosses the little brook some ten rods south of Mr. Wardwell's. from thence it bears a little to the left to near the old tomb, there it turns a right angle and run some 15 rods, thence turning to the left it comes out in front of the blacksmith shop (about as now traveled.) Well if I cross the bridge there is no road to Norway (no King Street) so I stop here to survey the city (now Oxford village).

"Mr. Stephen Perry has a house and store, all under one roof, (west a few rods of Mr. Baker's store) and this is the only building on the west side of the river except the saw mill.

"There is a frog pond (where the hotel is now located) and when I went to mill here it was fine sport to navigate the frog pond on a slab. There is a little field fenced in with pine poles and stakes, and there is a well with a sweep. (This field is where the large store stands, or whatever it is, the building with brick ends, and I think the old well is there now just as it was excepting the old fashioned sweep.)

"As there is but one house and store combined my stay will be brief. From here to Norway are two roads, one over Craige's Hill, the other over the plains and up Fore Street. I take the latter course. After leaving Mr. Perry's I shall see no signs of life until I get (to where the railroad crossing now is) 3 miles from the Mills. At this point we entered what is called Fore Street, and here we begin to see little smutty log houses, smutty log barns, smutty men, smutty women and smutty children. We see men with their oxen and sleds gathering their hay and grain, pitching it into log barns and their better-halfs stowing the hay and grain away. (I used to hear it said how can those folks expect to get a living on this poor God-forsaken place, but the inhabitants have answered this question to their own satisfaction, and all others who have had occasion to pass through this part of Oxford and witness its nice farms and splendid farm buildings with their surroundings.)

"While I am at Smith's crossing I will just run over to Uncle David Webber's and look up over the plains to the hills where the Milletts the Pottles and Gorhams live. On the plains there are a number of log houses and some very poor folks.

"The mistress of the dwelling began to fail in health, and finally her case became so alarming that her husband went in haste for old Dr. Jacob T——. He came and after a thorough investigation of her case he did not leave any medicine, but he gave her a prescription. This was about the last days of April. The prescription was "Be sure and commence the first day of May and get up for twelve mornings in succession before sunrise and wash your face and hands in clean cold water." After following the directions the lady was restored to perfect health.

"Well, as I started with two boxes of butter for Norway, and as I have said what I have to say at this time, I will hurry up to Norway with my butter. I carry it on horseback. I sell it to Cox & Robinson and they pay me 12½ cents per pound in goods. I think it must be a splendid article, as after they got the gross weight Mr. Cox carried it to a barrel and scraped the butter into it with a large cheese knife. After finishing my marketing to my satisfaction I started for home across the bridge, (near where the printing office now is.) There was no building there nor devil that I heard of, not so much as a printer's devil.

"On the right, after crossing the bridge is Isaac Bartlett's house and blacksmith shop, on the left is Mr. Holt's shop, but I have got to climb Pike's Hill and go over the Gore and I shall be late home."

Girls and Boys.

Some one has written beautifully to the boys in the following manner: "Of all the love affairs in the world, none can surpass the true love of the big boy for his mother. It is pure love and noble and honorable in the highest degree to both. I do not mean merely a dutiful affection; I mean a love which makes a boy gallant and courteous to his mother, saying to everybody plainly that he is fairly in love with her. Next to the love of a husband, nothing so crowns a woman's life with honor as this second love, this devotion of a son to her. And I never yet knew a boy to 'turn out bad' who began by falling in love with his mother. Any man may fall in love with a fresh faced girl, and the man who is gallant with the girl may cruelly neglect the worn and weary life. But the boy who is a lover of his mother, in her middle age is a true knight, who will love his wife as much in the sere-leaved autumn as he did in the daisy spring-time."

Girls in general, instinctively seek to make themselves agreeable. This they attempt in various ways—some wise and some foolish. The aim is a natural one, for the happiness and comfort of the world is very largely dependent upon the amiability of the gentle sex. Madame de Sevigne, the celebrated French genius, thought the education of girls should be directed to making them "lovable company," by means of their affection, which would inspire the desire to please.

Madame de Sevigne stands high as a woman of culture and good character, and also as an educator. When she encouraged the "desire to please," there is no mistaking her meaning. By the art of pleasing she did not intend merely the art of dancing, of saying agreeable little nothings, and of charming by the aid of becoming dress. She laid special stress upon schooling the emotions, perfecting the intelligence, and giving it agreeability and attractiveness. Not that she despised the graceful accomplishments which lend their charm to society, but she placed above all else the proper culture of the intellect.

Many people sneer at "strong-minded" women. But it is rarely culture in itself that gives rise to this criticism. It is some disagreeable display of it. Women may be as agreeably "strong-minded" as they please without causing dislike. With men robustness and force often win the day; with women the art of pleasing is the strong weapon. And we would go one step further than the maxims of the brilliant French women. When girls study to be agreeable, and helpful as well, their education has a perfect aim. Nothing is more unbecoming to girls than indifference to knowledge, or lack of curiosity regarding what is useful. There is an art of pleasing which soon ceases to charm; but it is useful, helpful, pleasing which makes one "lovable company" for a life-time.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Shears and Paste-Pot Editor.

Criticism upon the views advocated in these columns is solicited, and any reasonable space will be given correspondents for that purpose, or for the purpose of discussing any subject connected with rural affairs. Communications intended for the Grangers corner should reach this office on Saturday preceding publication.

SLACKNESS:—No one likes to be called slack; yet I am afraid it is a word which would apply to nine out of every ten persons. One may be slack in appearance, another in speech and another in performing his work; but I am afraid it is met with more often on the farm or in agricultural pursuits. I don't mean to say that the farmers are more slack than any class of people, but that they are so situated that it is more closely perceptible than in any other vocation. For if they are slack or shiftless, it must be in the face and eyes of everybody. They cannot cover up their broad acres which lay along side the highway. Your fences on the road will tell the tale. Here a post has broken off and with boards attached is swinging backward and forward in every wind. There is a brush heap which was cut several years ago strewed over a square rod of land, among which the sprouts have sprung up more thickly than before. There by the wall is an apple tree with several broken limbs dangling; there they have hung for a year since that heavy wind which broke them off. Along a few rods further is another tree covered with sprouts or suckers which stand out so thickly on it that the birds could scarcely find a place to alight. Here in the door yard is the woodpile, which if it is chopped before the spring's work comes on, will lay there chips and all, through the pleasant summer months hiding that which should be the most beautiful spot on the farm, the door-yard. There are other things too numerous to name, which show thrift or slackness according as the case may be. But keep your fences in repair, your trees properly pruned, your brush-heaps burned, your door-yard clean, your barn neat on the inside and out, pick the scattering rocks out of your fields; then if you want to sell your farm you will find a great deal less trouble in doing so. For a man with money in his pocket, wanting a farm, would naturally buy one which had a *neat* appearance quicker than one equally as good having a *slovenly* appearance.

JEM KEEN.

Rumford.

While we do not wish to lay a straw in the way of the progress in fine dairy cow breeders, and while we admit the excellence of Jersey, Ayrshire and Holstein, we not protest against the constant revilement of our native cows. No animal on the farm is treated worse. Struggling among ragweeds in almost grassless pastures; furnishing blood for flies in the blazing heat of midsummer, the effect of wrath, hail, snow, sleet, rain and polar winds, she still survives, ever patient and returning good for evil. If our abused native cow was treated half so well as her foreign cousins, perhaps she would be as famous as they.—*Farm and Fireside.*

Convenience of farm buildings is an important aid to good farming, especially where much stock is kept and there are many chores. Water should always be provided in the barnyard, the feeding boxes should be near where the feed is kept, and the buildings should not be very far removed from the house. If this results in more neatness about the barn and barnyard than has been thought necessary, it will be another important advantage gained.

Do not fail to drill in some corn for fodder, even if you have no pit to store it in. After long experience we are convinced that no farm crop pays better. There is no difficulty in curing it. All that is needed is to let it grow until fully tasseled, and then shock it up and let it stand in the field until freezing weather or until it is fed up. The large white Southern corn is best—the stalks containing as much sugar as sweet corn, which has a habit of germinating feebly.

After careful consideration on the matter of sheep shearing will say in answer to "Scribe's" question in regard to early sheep shearing that the early shearing of sheep before they go to pasture is rapidly gaining favor among sheep owners. Of course, when the sheep are sheared early, for the first week or so, care must be taken to have them properly housed nights and during cold and stormy days. All animals shed their coats on the approach of spring and don them again in the fall, but the sheep's fleece is designed for the use of man and is the exception to this rule, therefore would it not seem right that the fleece should be removed on the approach of warm weathes, after it becomes reasonably warm, than for the sheep to swelter under the heavy load of wool into the month of June? As has been stated before in this paper, sheep are more easily kept free from ticks by early shearing, by a little precaution when sheared, and by their eating them themselves; and if the lambs are not dropped till after shearing the sheep will thus be kept nearly free from this pest. There is less tendency to decline among the flock if the wool is removed at the season of the year when nature removes the coat from cattle, horses, etc. Washing before shearing is rapidly going out of favor so this no longer stands in the way of early shearing. Again the fleeces will average heavier than when left on till summer as much of the wool is lost by rubbing. It is also a convenience to the owner to shear the sheep before the busy spring work comes on.

In this State the grass in both the fields and pastures never looked better at this season of the year; there is no killing out. Average farm wages are $23. per month, and help is scarce in many places and hard to be obtained at reasonable prices. The creamery system does not seem to be general favor among farmers. Cattle are looking better than usual this spring, but sheep are in poor condition and large numbers have died in some sections. 25 per cent less area of potatoes and sweet corn will be planted this year than last. Yellow corn will take the place of sweet corn.

FARMER.

Apples are being imported from Germany, and we should be able to supply ourselves.

A new thing in the berry line, is the cultivated blueberry. A party in Michigan has been growing them for some years, and is sending out plants.

A mixture of sulphur and lard is a safe and harmless remedy for the extermination of lice on cattle. Rub it along the back and brisket and anoint parts here and there wherever necessary.

If the farmer will let the children have a bit of land, and provide seeds of dandelions, sage, summer savory and similar plants, they will be compensated when autumn comes. Try it.

The Rural New Yorker says that if you want to stop your light Brahmas from laying, feed them all they want. We have found that the egg production of this breed, more than any other, is lessened by over-feeding. Feed them twice a day and give them no more than they will eat up clean before resting.

It should be remembered that no matter how good and rich a milker a cow may be it is unreasonable to expect the quantity and richness of the product to be kept up unless except both the quantity and the adaptability of the food are matters of attention.

One of the most successful Illinois dairymen keeps 100 cows, but never raises a pound of hay. He feeds his cattle on corn fodder cut when in blossom, bound and set up till cured, or till winter when it is removed to the barn. He gets seven tons of this dry fodder to the acre, and claims it is worth as much as the best of hay.

THE HOUSEKEEPER.

Practical housekeepers throughout this county are requested to send in communications for THE HOUSEKEEPER.

SOFT SOAP:—In answer to Helen's query how to make "soft soap" I would say if she will follow the following receipt she would have no reason to be afraid to show her soap to any one. Take a common flour barrel, lay several sticks across the bottom of the barrel, put in a layer of straw then sprinkle a quart or two of lime on it. Fill the barrel with hard wood ashes and wet down with water, hot preferred. Put your grease in an iron kettle, pour your lye upon it and boil until the grease is eaten up. Let the fire go out and the soap will settle; then dip off leaving the settling in the kettle, which will do to mix with water to wash fruit trees with. Pour your clean soap into a barrel and add lye until it is of the proper thickness. Follow this and your soap will be as fine as you can ask for.

JEM KEEN.

Rumford.

Now about Helen's making soap through the ADVERTISER, I mean directions being given through the ADVERTISER, I will try and help the poor child for a child she must be not to know how to make soap. It is the easiest thing in the world if one has good judgment, and you will never succeed in anything if you do not have it. Why it is the stangest thing in the world that any one should grow to womanhood and not know how to make soap. I know there is a great deal said about making the washing easier with patent soaps, well perhaps they can, but I would like to see any one show me a better way than the good old fashioned soft soap and plenty of elbow grease with good judgment. Well to be sure I do sometimes add some sal soda and a little borax, but you must use judgment as to how much to put in or the sal soda will rot the clothes. Yes, as Nellie says you will want good lye and grease or you will fail every time, but there I never have any trouble, and I always have good soap, just as nice as can be. Tell about our grandmothers making good soap, I can make as good soap as any grandmother. I never fail but it is all because I have good judgment; that must be where you failed Helen in using good judgment, or your soap would not failed being as good as mine. Try again and use good judgment and believe Aunt Hepsy you will have good luck. Let us know how you succeed.

HEPSIE.

The jersey bodice and the jersey coat will be as popular as ever this season and the next.

The spring hats that have made their appearance are straws, the crowns of which are generally very high and the brims narrow, and the shades so striking as to be obtrusive, and to many undesirable.

There comes a time in every little girl's life when she is seized with a longing to cook; by all means indulge her. Do not wait until she is a young lady and then send her to a cooking school to learn how to make a pudding or cake—what she might have learned in the kitchen at home, and been happy in learning.

Get at the drug store 5 cents' worth of common varnish, to which have been added a few drops of Japan varnish. With this preparation varnish your frame or whatever you may wish to bronze. Then get about 5 cents' worth of gold bronzing and dip a little bit of velvet into it and rub lightly over every part of the frame or figure or vase. Continue this until every part is well bronzed. Then you may rub it down very smooth, or leave it as it first appears—just as your taste may approve. The little, insipid white figures that the wandering Italian peddlers have can be made into real statuettes, and they will seem rare and interesting. A humble little vase or jar can be made to pass for a good deal more than a vase or jar, when seen for a bracket holding a spray of red berries or painted grasses, or as the base of an artificial vine.

GENERAL NEWS.

A serious fire occurred at South Worcester, Mass., Thursday night, destroying the Packachoag Mill, valued at about $150,000. Several operatives were badly injured by jumping from the building.

The losses by fire in this country during the past year foot up one hundred millions, equal to two dollars for each inhabitant.

The large safe of E. R. McIntire, hardware dealer of South Berwick, was blown open in his store early the morning of the 15th, by burglars, who carried away with them $150 in cash, checks, notes and valuable private papers to the amount of $1200 to $1500.

Miss Carrie Kilgore of Phildelphia has been admitted to the bar of Pennsylvania.

The scheme for a canal from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mediterranean Sea converting the Iberian peninsula into an island has been revived.

It is reported that Capt. Sylvanus W. Gray of Castine, of the schooner Carthage, has decamped having drawn a heavy draft on the owner, Geo. Steele.

The remains of Chas. O'Connor were burried from the Roman Catholic cathedral, New York, Friday morning.

Another steamer, the Illyrian, from Liverpool to Boston, was completely wrecked Friday night on the Irish coast; all hands saved.

Friday a mob formed at Ashland, O., at the hanging of two condemned murderers. They threatened to take them from jail and hang them themselves. Troops were called. Twice within three years has the mob torn down barricades and insisted on witnessing hangings.

There are only two teetotalers in the United States Senate.

Thomas Nast has resumed work as a cancaturist in Harper's Weekly.

Edgar Allan Poe's statue is to be placed in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York.

The "dime novel" is a very small volume, but, like nitro-glycerine in small packages, it compresses a large amount of destructive energy. It seems to have had a singularly fatal influence over small boys, since cases are constantly cited in the daily press where boys, after saturating themselves with such literature, have been found as organized bands of plunderers, or engaged in highway robbery, after the style of the James brothers. It has recently been discovered that the greater portion of the thrilling and darkly suggestive stories of the dime-novel literature have been written by a "stout, hearty young man," named Badger, residing in Kansas. He receives $100 for a five-cent story, and $200 for a ten-cent story, and these productions he reels off with great celerity, acknowledging to his friends that he is "a pretty good liar."

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FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1884.

Oxford Conference of Congregational Churches will hold its annual session with the Church at Sumner June 3d and 4th. Committee of arrangements Rev. Gilman Rice, Rev. E. C. Ingalls, and J. T. Stetson.

A call for a caucus for any of the political parties are published free in this paper. The chairman of the different political town committees should bear this fact in mind and give due notice of such meetings in the columns of the ADVERTISER. Every body reads this paper.

A. B. Washburn, of Oxford, has opened a pension agency at that place. He will give personal attention to new pension applications, rejected claims and increase of pensions. Mr. W. deserves the credit of getting a pension for himself after his claim had been three times rejected and given up by other pension agents. His address is as above. Circulars furnished on application by mail.

The ADVERTISER goes into more homes than the combined edition of the three other papers published in the county. We are represented by one or more correspondents in every town in the county, and it is the verdict of the reading public that the ADVERTISER for local news is unsurpassed by any other journal. We shall spare no pains or reasonable expense in holding this position. Local news always wanted at this office.

SUMNER.

On Monday evening, May 19th, the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Palmer, to the number of about a hundred, gathered at Mr. Palmer's residence to celebrate their silver wedding. An enjoyable evening was passed, exercises apprppriate to the occasion were conducted by Rev. R. Scott and Gilman Rice, and in a few well chosen words Mr. N. H. Stowe, in behalf of the friends, presented the bride and bridegroom of twenty-five years standing with a variety of presents. Mr. Palmer feelingly responded. After a bountiful collation the company broke up at a late hour, wishing them and theirs many years of continued prosperity. E.

WEST SUMNER.

Abbott & Pulsifer have received a car load of carriages from Mass., which they are selling, they claim at low prices. They sold three in one day last week.

E. W. Chandler has sawed over seven hundred thousand shingles already this spring. He is selling his best spruce and fir at $1.50 per M. Mr. James Field has also a large lot of spruce and hemlock boards and spruce shingles.

N. C. Ford jr., has sold his nice oxen to a Mr. Millett of Norway.

Mr. Stetson Tuell has sold his colt to Mr. Emerson of Auburn. Price $175. Mr. H. B. Chandler sold his horse to Mr. Emerson also, price $125. Aloine M. Garey has sold his two years' old colt to Freeman Farrar for $100.

Moses Pulsifer, esq., of Auburn, is visiting friends here, his former home. Judging from his appearance, should think life passed easily with him. He formerly owned and occupied the Highland Spring House here. He sold it to Mr. Small travelling salesman for Chas. McLaughlin & Co., of Portland. It is now occupied by Mr. Herrick O. Tuell, and opened to accommodate the public.

Eld. R. Scott will preach a Memorial sermon at the Baptist Church next Sabbath forenoon at 10:30. All soldiers should be present. Let it not be forgotten that our County Atty. J. S. Wright, esq., of Paris, is to make the Oration here on Memorial day and that [illegible] Band will be present. Services to begin at 1 o'clock p. m. sharp.

Miss Celia May Staples, of Carthage, is teaching the summer school in Dist. No. 5 and Miss Marilla Cummings in No. 6. Miss Addie Bonney, who engaged to take charge of the school in No. 9, has been obliged to relinquish her engagement on account of her poor health. School in No. 7 is to be under the care of Miss Emma Pulsifer and No. 8, Miss Hattie M. Don, No. 10, Miss Alice A. Hersey.

Frankie Bisbee, who has been sick so long, is able to be out again.

Mr. E. Dunn, who had a severe attack of pneumonia, last week, is improving.

CASCO.

Items of news and subscriptions for this paper may be left with Mr. E. A. Barton of Casco.—[Ed.

There was a grand old fashioned sing at J. E. Holden's on Thursday eve, May 15th, displaying much talent, showing that they have received the right kind of instruction the past winter from Mr. Butler. The exercises were under the direction of Prof. F. W. Mayberry, of Casco, assisted by Prof. D. L. Mayberry, of Otisfield (Poplar Ridge,) proprietor of the Oriental Spring, whose waters are celebated the world over for their curative powers.

Mr. Holden is putting up a nice piazza to the ell of his house.

Mark Leach has purchased a fine blooded mare of Will Colby.

Wat. Pinkham has got his wheels finished.

Wm. M. Cook met with quite an accident on Friday last while at work at his mill. While throwing a log from the wheels it struck a lever that flew up and struck him directly under the chin loosening two teeth and breaking one, buising his face badly and cracking his lower jaw.

If the Garfield Exp. will run down to Casco Uncle Daniel can get all the suckers he wants and good ones too.

Henry Lord got a tooth knocked out as Cook's mills Sat.

Levi C. Maxfield, of this town, may well be classed among the unfortunates. At the age of 3 years his clothes took fire, burning him very badly and for a long time his life was despaired of, but he finally recovered, although terribly scarred about the body and arms. At the age of 5 he was at play with an axe when it came off the handle and nearly cut his nose off, leaving an ugly scar. At 12 years he fell into the mill-pond at Cook's mills, and was taken out for dead. At the age of 15 he sawed off his thumb of the left hand, in the first joint. At 16 he fell from the beams of the barn and was taken up for dead and laid three days insensible. At the age of 19 he enlisted in Co. C. 30 Me. Vol., Capt. Whitman Sawyer, and served until the close of the war. While in the service, he took the measles but as some of his comrades expressed it he "cheated the grave digger out of a job" and got home to his family safe and sound. Then he cut his foot severing the main artery and nearly severing the large bone of the foot, after this he again went to work in the mills at Edes Falls and Cook's mills, and at different times has sawed his hands six times but the last was most serious of any of the wounds, as nearly all the flesh and muscles of the left arm below the elbow were torn off, which resulted in the loss of the thumb and two fingers, and nearly spoilt the whole arm.

School in Dist. No. 6, Casco Village, commenced Monday May 19th, Miss Gay, of Saco, teacher. C.

Durgin & Robinson, boot and shoe dealers, North Vassalboro, will settle in insolvency.

BOLSTER'S MILLS.

The F. W. Baptists at East Otisfield, have engaged Rev. Sidney Wakeley of Casco to preach to them during the ensuing year. He will preach in Otisfield in the forenoon and at Casco in the afternoon each Sabbath.

The next session of the Otisfield F. W. B. Quarterly Meeting will convene in Sumner, on Wednesday and Thursday, June 4th and 5th.

Memorial Day will be properly observed in Harrison and Otisfield. Z. Willis Kemp of East Otisfield, a member of Bowdoin College, class of '84, will deliver an oration on Otisfield Hill on that day.

At a special communication of Crooked River Lodge of F. & A. M., last Saturday evening, the degree of E. Ap. was conferred upon three candidates.

Philo P. Andrews and his son have moved into the Robinson Cook house in this village.

Albert Caswell and his daughter from Mass., are visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

F. H. Pike has greatly improved the appearance of his house by giving it a coat of white paint on the outside, and has made various improvements inside also.

WEST BETHEL.

Wood & Turner's drive went past Friday and Saturday last.

Mr. John Needham died Sat. the 17th, after a sickness of about three months.

Herbert Mason was married to Lilian Eastman, Friday the 10th at Shelburne. It was quite a surprise to all, as she had been in town only six weeks, and no one had any idea of it. Monday evening the friends of Mr. Mason gathered for a serenade. They were invited in and pleasantly spent the evening with music, a treat, etc.

We are at rest in regard to school meetings at last; upon a petition of part of the voters to Sam'l W. Potter, of Gilead, Justice of Peace, he called a meeting Tuesday the 13th and transacted the business satisfactory to all. J. S. Mason was chosen Agent, W. A. Farewell, Clerk. G. B. Lowell boards in summer; W. A. Farewell in winter. Summer term to commence next Monday. CLOCK.

FRYEBURG.

Miss Annie Harvey has been visiting Mrs. Souther.

Mrs. I. B. Bradley and Miss Minnie Bradley have returned from Boston.

Misses Annie and Alice Scammon are spending a few weeks here.

Mrs. Bradbury has returned for the summer.

Members of Pequaket Lodge K.'s of P. attended the institution of a lodge in North Conway last week.

Mr. Eben Weeks has bought Mr. Perry's house.

The Swedenborgian Church is being painted.

One night last week several houses were entered and articles of food and clothing taken. Where are the police?

There was a sociable at the vestry Thursday evening. Music, readings, etc. A large number present.

The students of the academy buried Cicero with impressive ceremonies last Thursday. Quite a large number have left the school as teachers. The Academy Bell will be out this week. Z.

NORTH RUMFORD.

We found some strawberry blossoms the 10th.

The prospect is that there will be many tent caterpillars this year as we have seen a good many nests of them already on apple and cherry trees.

Miss Hannah Abbott of Ellis River is to teach in Dist. No. 3 in Andover this summer.

J. H. Hutchins has two fine Eclaire colts, one and two years old, both from the same mare, and as much alike as two peas in a pod, in build, shape and color.

The swallows have come. "Time to plant corn," so the old people say, "when the swallows come." No doubt but it is time, but the mud is too deep. JEM KEEN.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

G. A. Hall is spending several days at home this week. He has a splendid model of his gate with the alarm attachment. He has returned to Portland.

E. W. Ayer of Auburn is also spending a few days with his old neighbors while he puts the carding mill in order for Mr. Anthoine who will serve the people as wool carder this season.

The remains of Mr. Mark Elsworth, who died in Boston on Monday morning were bought to this place Tuesday night, and buried Wednesday at 10 o'clock in Elm Vale cemetery. Funeral from the Elsworth residence of this place, conducted by Rev. Mr. Snow.

Mr. Prince Kimball has moved into the E. W. Ayer house.

Geo. Millett of the firm of Monroe & Millett has been quite sick last week, but is about again.

We understand that F. C. Ayer who recently went to Auburn is employed in a dry and fancy goods house of that city.

Asa Ford, the shoe tinker, is again on his bench looking after the needs of people's soles, etc.

GREENWOOD.

I. F. Emmons had peas peeping through the ground April 29th. At this writing they are quite high.

Mrs. C. W. Judkins had a chase after a fox the other day. It seems a fox had caught her cat not more than ten rods from the house, and pussy made such an outcry that Mrs. Judkins went to her assistance, and frightened Mr. Raynard away. Pussy was well used up; all she could do to get to the house. If Mrs. J. had taken a broom with her she probably would have killed Reynard on the spot.

Patch Mountain was covered with snow the morning of May 14th.

Isaac Hayes from Lewiston is visiting at I. F. Emmons. He is 79 years of age, straight as a cob and limber as an eel. He sleeps well and enjoys life first-rate, so he says.

Jacob Emmons is 79 years of age, and smart as a trap, hauling manure and doing general farm work every day.

I learn that John Roberts has sold two yoke of oxen lately; one pair to Reuben Whitman and one to Geo. F. Cummings.

Benjamin Peabody died May 7th.

Rev. Seth Benson preached his farewell sermon at this place Sunday, May 18th. JOHN TOPSHAM.

HEBRON.

The honorary parts have been awarded to the senior class of Hebron Academy as follows: Miss Mabel C. Kidder, Canton, Valedictory; Edward F. Barrell, So. Turner, Salutatory; Miss Lizzie P. Hammond, Paris, Class Ode; Miss Hattie O. Hooper, Paris, Class History and Prophecy. Graduating exercises occur June 27th. Z.

Oxford County Pomona Grange meets with Hebron Grange the first Tuesday in June. Excelsior Grange, Poland, is invited. Hebron Grange hold their meetings in the Town House, not so good accommodations as they would like, but their motto is "Go slow and sure." They have recently built on an addition to better accommodate their store, which is doing a nice little business with S. P. Cushman storekeeper, and C. H. George agent. The sisters and some of the domesticated brothers met last week for the purpose of having a house cleaning, and the way brooms, soap-suds and jokes flew was astonishing. And it was my privilege to weave garlands of green and to make crosses which now decorate the rooms. And as my hands were busy so was my mind. I thought how nice it was to be a Patron and to have social gatherings, thereby weaving our lives together in garlands of friendship, keeping the memory of each one green in our hearts, helping each other to bear the crosses of life. The Grange although small, and the Grange home a rustic one, is very well united. H. A. Cushman, a very efficient Master, is serving the second year. We have had profitable meetings and merry, jolly good times the past winter, and in our circle there is always room for one more, and those that would like to join hands with us would receive a hearty welcome. A PATRON.

OXFORD.

Mrs. J. N. Dunn of Cumberland, has been visiting her relatives at this place. Her husband was formerly baggage master at this depot, where he was very much liked. He is now the present popular and esteemed station agent at Cumberland.

The Keokas played against the West Poland boys last Saturday, which resulted in a victory for the Keokas. The West Poland club has one of the most promising nines in this section, and will probably make their mark the coming season. A return game will be played here next Saturday.

We have learned that a good many years ago, a loupcervier made an attack upon the barnyard of E. R. Holmes of East Oxford. The animal killed some eight or twelve sheep for Mr. H. and was finally pursued to Rocky Dundee and there killed.

During the last winter a gentleman of this place being in want of some rock maple procured it of an Otisfield farmer. The wood was hauled and the Oxford gent made some remarks as to how light it felt, asd was informed that it was generally in that condition during the winter. Nothing more was said and the bargain was consummated. In a few days the Oxford man found he had bought some pretty fair bass wood. This story has been kept a secret, but has finally leaked out.

We have noticed several fish stories in this paper, but think we can beat them all. The other evening being on a fishing expedition we captured a few hornpouts. As these kind of fish are considered first-class eating at this season of the year, we thought we would try them. The fish were cleaned and had been out of water some two hours and a half, when we found that we had omitted to skin them; this being the usual method of preparing them for the table. The fish were placed in a pan and a quart of hot water turned upon them to make the operation easier. What do you suppose happened then? Well, we'll be blowed if those pesky fish didn't go to swimming around in that hot water, and we think if they had had their heads on would have "bit" again. This is a fact.

The last warm day—everybody will remember that day—hastened out the leaves and hill and dale is now a sea of green.

E. J. Flood showed us one of the coins that passed through the fire when Mr. Dunn's house was struck by lightning. It was made the year Mr. F. was born and is highly prized by him. JOSH JEEMS.

Mr. Glover, the catcher on the Oxford side, got his thumb stove up pretty badly near the last of the game Saturday.

Mamie Jones, who has been tending school at Hebron Academy, is now teaching school at Richville.

Last Saturday we saw Bertie Eaton carrying through the village a couple of chubs of very large size, which he said he got up to the bridge, a place near Sam Wardwell's. B.

The holders of the Town of Oxford Bonds named in another column in this paper are requested to present the same at the Town Treasurer's office for payment.

S. D. Edwards of Oxford has bought all the right and tittle to the "Wm. Hall Cultivator" of J. D. Wilson, and is now prepared to sell the same. Farmers read his advertisement in this paper, and if in want of a cultivator address S. D. Edwards, Oxford, Me.

The following question was recently submitted to the C. L. S. C. "From what did the State of Maine derive its name?" They have so far failed to find a satisfactory answer. Can the Tyler circle give them any light in the matter? The name adopted by this circle is The Amphictyonic Circle.

The stable formerly used as a livery stable in Welchville opposite King & Holmes' store, has been moved down opposite the school-house on the Mechanic Falls road. T. E. King is going to fit it up for a tenement. W. W. Dennen's barn has also been moved opposite the school-house on the depot road. Frank Rawson of Mechanic Falls did the work.

The work on the new depot is progressing finely. The foundation is in position and the carpenters have the frame about done. The gravel train is now filling in around the cedar posts on which the station is to set.

Albert Soules' colt got frightened by L. F. Wardwell's coach Wednesday afternoon and tipping the gig over, landed Albert rather unceremoniously in the road. VOX.

STOW.

Abram Anderson, of No. Fryeburg, has sold his farm to Osgood Johnson for $1400. and bought the L. D. Harriman farm on Cold river for $1500. and moved on to it.

George Chandler & Will Shaw have bought the Paul Chandler farm and Mr. Chandler has moved on to the farm.

Doctor Mayberry has bought the Mitchel farm at No. Fryeburg.

Mrs. Wiley, widow of the late Elbridge G. Wiley, is very sick with pneumonia. Her recovery is very doubtful. She is attended by two physicians.

Hannah Fifield, an aged lady who lives with her brother Joshua, had a shock from which she will not probably recover.

Our energetic merchant, Mr. Giles, has put a team on the road selling goods of most all descriptions.

Schools are now keeping in dists. 3 and 4, under the instructions of Miss Mattie Eastman and Georgie Pitman with good success so far as we are informed.

EDES' FALLS.

Alvin Morse, who was so seriously injured at No. Bridgton last winter, has moved in with his father-in-law. His brother Levi who formerly occupied the rent has moved to the village.

Mrs. Lizzie Hardy is very sick.

The road which was rendered impassable by the high water this spring, has been thoroughly repaired by Austin Harmon.

Robert Edes and family in company with Charles Floyd and wife and Miss Hattie Hall, spent the past week at Songo Lock. No doubt the number of trout is somewhat diminished.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

At the annual meeting of the South Woodstock Cemetery Association the following officers were elected: I. W. Andrews, President; F. L. Wyman, Clerk; F. E. Hammond, Treasurer; I. W. Andrews, Jos. H. Davis and B. C. Curtis, Trustees; I. W. Andrews, Collector. Treasurer reported sixty-five dollars cash in treasury. Voted to fence the cemetery on the road with stone posts and cable chains. Mr. A. S. Curtis has taken the job to do the work for $35. Several sets of marble will be set during the season.

Frank R. Andrews has re-clapboarded and painted his house.

I. W. Andrews is constantly receiving orders from dealers at different localities for burial caskets.

Farmers are late about farming on account of cold wet weather.

Miss Geneva Barrett of Sumner, is teaching a successful term in the Dunham district.

S. F. Frost is in Portland selling chairs for Washburn & Co. of N. Paris.

ANDOVER.

Rev. Mr. Dame and wife are on a short visit at Falmouth.

There was a dance at the town hall last Friday evening. Music furnished by the Andover band consisting of 5 pieces.

The Newton house is now occupied by a Mr. Sweat of Upton.

A sabbath school was organized at the Meth. church last Sunday. S. W. Richards, Supt.; Willie Bodwell, Asst. Supt.

Frank Akers has gone to South Andover to work for Mr. Newhall.

Mrs. M. S. Dresser and her daughter go to the Lakes this week to spend the summer.

A. E. Bedell has gone to the Lakes guiding.

The Meth. Circle met with Mrs. L. D. Hanson last Wednesday. A good time was the general verdict.

Summer travel has commenced in good earnest.

Rev. Mr. French has moved into the house occupied by Charles Andrews.

Mr. F. M. Thomas is preparing to build him a new house.

The recent rains, although they have been quite cold, have started the grass up considerably and make the fields look green once more. The farmers are doing their spring work as fast as possible, believing in a seed-time and harvest.

There were no regular services at the Cong. Church last Sunday but E. M. Bailey read a sermon. C.

PERU.

The river drivers have too much of a good thing. The Androscoggin is having a high time. The Canton Steam mill booms hold all the logs and it is too riskey to open them to sort lumber. D. W. Knight's small ferry boat got loose and ran off with the logs. The river-men took it out of the jam and saved it for him.

The average school boy likes this kind of weather "it rains" he says "too hard to go to school and just hard enough to go fishing."

The herald of warm weather the Bob o' Lincoln is here laughing at the owners of early planted potato field covered with water.

Nearly four thousand fruit trees have been delivered and set out in this town this spring.

G. O. Hussey of Dickvale has a fine stock horse, son of Victor, and some blooded brood mares, he is keeping for Mass. parties and Dr. Roberts of Waterville. He is to have more as soon as he can fit up for them.

The executor of the will of the late N. C. Small will turn over this week to the trustees of the Free Baptist society of this town, Mr. Small's bequest to that church, with which they will build a new meeting house next season.

Rev. Messrs. Twort and Scott delivered interesting discourses on Sunday. H. S. M.

BRYANT'S POND.

Last Sunday night some one having in their possession a key to John F. Dearborn's spool mill entered it, pried open the machine room door and stole tools worth some twenty dollars, most of them belonging to A. L. Ross. The wife of Mr. Edwards who lives near the mill was awakened in the night by a noise at the mill, but thinking nothing wrong she gave no alarm. It is thought that the thief was familiar with the premises, but where did he get his key to open the outer door? The windows we learn were fastened down and had not been disturbed.

BUCKFIELD.

A sad accident occured at Mechanic Falls Tuesday morning. As Mrs. Emma Decoster, wife of J. F. Decoster, was going from their house to the shop where she was at work on the Grand Trunk R. R. track, as was her usual custom, she saw a train coming towards her. She was near the R. F. & B. rail road track and supposing it was a train going up on the G. T. road stepped across on the R. F. & B. track, but the train run on the R. F. & B. track to let another train pass, run over Mrs. D. and killed her instantly. She had a child with her about three years old, who escaped with slight injuries. The child was the daughter of Addison Morrill late of Portland. Mr. D. has the sympathy of his and her many friends in Buckfield their native town. Mrs. D. was a nice woman and beloved by all who knew her. Her remains were brought to Buckfield for interment.

Mr. Briggs of Turner had a Jersey cow which dropped three calves a few days ago, two bull calves and a heifer. They were all alive, but the bulls died. They were nearly all of a size and spotted like a coach dog.

Rev. J. M. Follett and Rev. S. D. Richardson of Hebron exchanged pulpits last Sabbath.

Some have gone to the Lakes this week, others are talking of going.

The sound of the willow whistle is heard on our streets from young America. H.

BETHEL.

W. E. Skillings & Co., of Bethel have engaged the services of Mr. William Edwards, of Bryants Pond, as spool inspector. Mr. Edwares has had a large experience in the spool business and is an expert in that branch.—*Lewiston Journal*.

SOUTH CASCO.

Miss Jennie Churchill has charge of our school this summer.

Henry Graffam recently lost four valuable sheep.

George Jordan shot a large wild goose on Friday week.

Thomas Mitchell killed his fat pig this week. It was five months old and weighed two hundred and eighty pounds.

James Graffam has three young foxes about the size of rabbits.

The So. Casco Reform Club is in a thriving condition at present. We hold our weekly meetings in the far-famed Hawthorn Church.

Bro. Millett, of Raymond, lectured on the proposed constitutional amendment at this place on Wednesday week. The speaker clearly showed the good results that would follow such an amendment. We think that in the near future temperance will prevail. J. P. M.

LOVELL.

Dean McDaniels, late landlord of the American House, has left there and returned to his farm on Christian Hill.

The hotel is closed for the present, but good accommodations for man and beast can be found with M. K. Bemis.

Rev. L. Goodrich who has preached in this town for a number of years, is about leaving for a town in New Hampshire.

Mr. E. T. Stewart, formerly of Bridgton, who has worked at tailoring in this village for three years past, is about leaving. Mr. S. is a courteous gentleman and skillful workman and will be much missed in this place. He has not decided on his future place of business.

Will and Daniel McLellan have moved, with their families, to the Aroostook hills in East Fryeburg.

Mrs. Drown of this town, who has been somewhat insane for many years, was taken to the Maine Insane Asylum on Wednesday of last week by Mr. J. E. Emery.

Nutter, Fox & Co. have recently taken their gang saws from the mill at this place, and are putting in a circular board saw from the shop of Ricker & Sons at Harrison.

Seth Walker and E. L. Bell have taken the job and are building a new fence around the burying ground at the village, and Mr. E. G. Kimball & Sons have recently built, for the town, a stone wall on the back side of the grounds at No. 4.

E. N. Fox and C. H. Brown are having their buildings painted. The work is done by F. S. Moore and Willard Knight.

F. P. Fox of Cornish was here a short time since and bought a pair of fine black horses of J. E. Hutchins and one of Mr. Simon Nason. Many good horses have been taken from this place and we still have some fine ones for the men who are willing to pay for them.

The schools about town are now beginning. The one at the village is taught by Miss Hulda Hobbs of Fryeburg, at the Centre by Miss E. L. Meserve, at Christian Hill by Miss Edith M. Stearns. At No. 4 by Miss May Coffin, No. 10 by Miss Bertha Moore, No. 12 by Miss Addie Harriman, and at No. Lovell by Miss Nettie Andrews.

Mrs. M. A. Charles has opened a millinery store in this village, at the place formerly occupied by Mr. G. W. Hazen.

A cat belonging to Dean M. Andrews of Lovell Centre, brought to the house a half-grown woodchuck which he had caught. C.

EAST STONEHAM.

Mr. Sumner Durgin of West Stoneham, while working in his burnt ground one day last week, heard a cracking in the bushes and on turning around was confronted by a wild beast resembling a cat in every respect except in size. It was as large as a large dog, and growling fiercely it advanced upon Mr. Durgin, who did not dare turn his back on him and run, but stood his ground with uplifted axe calling loudly to his wife to bring him his gun. Owing to the distance his wife could not understand him but ran out where he was to ascertain the trouble, but before she arrived on the scene the animal had come so close that Mr. Durgin struck a blow at his head with the axe, yelling with all his might at the same time. At this the animal yielded and ran for the woods. This same animal has been seen in this town and towns adjoining this a number of times. This same beast, or one answering the same description, confronted Mr. Freemont Kneeland one evening about a year ago at Albany Basins, and Mr. Kneeland fired at him with a revolver and drove him out of his path.

Mr. Grant McAllister of this town, while working in Bartlett's stave mill one night this week had his thumb badly lacerated by bringing it in contact with a stave saw. He did not have it amputated.

Mr. Frank Moody, while leading some colts to pasture was kicked by one of them, the hoof striking him over the eye knocking him insensible and cutting an ugly gash. It was thought at first that he was dead, but he soon rallied and was carried home and a physician summoned who took several stitches in the wound and pronounced his injuries not dangerous.

Uncle Nat and Win pronounce fishing in the rain a bore, and have returned home. M. M. R.

ALBANY.

Jones McAllister came very near losing his steam mill, about four o'clock Saturday morning. The engine room was discovered to be on fire, and the walls and roof in a blaze which soon communicated to the roof of the mill. The fire was soon subdued. Some considerable of the belting was burned. Damage not estimated; no insurance. Fire probably caught in the saw dust and smouldered through the night.

Mrs. Frank Richardson died the 19th inst., and was carried to Jay for burial with her family.

Henry Brown is about moving to East Stoneham. H.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Frank E. Stevens, 17 years old, with a team of four oxen has drawn 60 thousand pine, 140 cords of poplar, beside some birch and wood the past winter. His whole winter's work amounted to over $300. He is a sort of an ingenious character; with an ax, saw and auger he has made his own sled and racks and done his own repairing.

The people met to reorganize the Sunday School at Locke's Mills, and the following officers were chosen: A. H. Stevens, Secretary; Lewis Bryant, Supt.; Rev. Mr. Hannaford, Asst. Supt.; Ira Jordan, Treas.; E. E. Rand, Librarian; A. H. Stevens, Asst. Librarian.

Eben E. Rand has sold his trotting mare "Lady Bell" to parties in Portland for $250.

PARIS HILL.

The young ladies of our village school are to give an entertainment soon,—the proceeds to be used for painting the Academy hall

Mrs. Dr. Brown has been treating her house and fence with a coat of paint which improves the appearance of the stand very much; some say it is the best looking place on the Hill. B. S. Doe did the job.—*Democrat*.

NORTH PARIS.

Two persons were baptised and admitted to the Baptist church last Sabbath by Rev. J. E. Cochrane. Nine more have been accepted and will be baptised some time in June.

Dea. A. J. Abbott has been confined to his house some three weeks with a trouble of the lungs.

W. W. Dunham is selling a part of his stock of Italian bees. Last Monday he received a check, from parties in Nova Scotia, of $110.00 for an order of ten colonies. The bees will be shipped the last of this or the first of next month.

ROXBURY.

The rains give plenty of water for driving the great quantity of poplar belonging to Marshall & Irish. The poplar is now passing down our river in a steady stream. NIMROD.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she was a Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Webb's Mills as It is Now.

Many years ago when the now quite thickly populated town of Casco was a howling wilderness, there came to this place one John Davis who built a small grist mill on the beautiful steam of water, the out-let of Little Dumpling Pond. Here he and his faithful wife, Rhoda, lived many years, rearing a large family of sons and daughters and who nearly all arrived at the age of manhood and womanhood, before many other families came here to settle. But still the Capt., as he was called, ground the grists of his distant neighbors who would take their corn and rye in the same bag with a string around the middle of the bag to prevent mixing, and who always carried it in those days on their shoulders and return with the meal, travelling the old cow-paths around Great and Little Dumpling Ponds on the west, and Rattlesnake Pond on the east, and from Mayberry Hill on the north and Raymond Hill on the south.

But time passed on and other families moved into the neighborhood and built small houses and lived many years, long enough to see a nice little village of about 50 families, 2 stores, etc., and to see on the stream, before mentioned, quite an amount of business carried on.

First we notice the Shingle & Grist mill of M. F. Winslow & Sons, here they usually saw large quantities of shingles, and here they do an enormous business in flour and grain, selling probably thousands of barrels of flour and as many bags of meal every year.

Next is the Axhandle Factory of M. E. Spiller, where they keep a large force of men the year round, manufacturing many thousand dozens of first class goods, which find a ready market in all the New England States and some of the Middle and Western States. They run in connection with the water-power a large engine of about 100 horse power.

Next on the stream is the Iron Co.'s mill built last season, under the superintendence of a Mr. Blake, of Portland, and Mr. O. S. Thomes of Cumberland. It is not in active operation at present, but the prospect is pretty good that it will run this season. The ore is of a fine quality yielding about 75 per cent of the finest iron and the quantity is almost inexhaustible. Farther down the stream are several good mill sites on land owned by Dr. Cobb.

The stores above named two in number are owned the one by Mr. John Berry and the other by W. H. & C. Duran.

There is a fine Cornet Band in the place under the instruction of Mr. Frank Collins of Portland.

They have two Blacksmith shops run by Clint Watkins and S. S. Welch, both A No. 1 workmen and taking it under all circumstances the little village of Webb's Mills is hard to beat for its enterprise and for its fine buildings. C.

o be continued.

Problems Answered.

I would say in answer to the problems in the last week's ADVERTISER, that it makes quite a difference whether the board fence is made with the boards perpendicular or horizontal. If the fence is made with the boards perpendicular it would not take any more to build over the mountain than to build through it, but it would take more rail. On the other hand it would take more boards according to the height of the hill.

On the sportsman and the squirrel, of course the sportsman would go around the squirrel the same as though the squirrel remained on one side of the tree; however some people think this is not the case.

Here is a problem for the readers of the ADVERTISER to solve:

A farmer goes to the store with an eight-gallon jug to get filled with vinegar, which takes all the grocer has. On his return home he meets his neighbor who with a five and three gallon jug is going for the same amount. The farmer tells him that the grocer is out and that he may have one-half of his if he will divide it equally in the three jugs. Yours truly,

H. A. DUNN.

Oxford, Me.

Lovely Andover.

The village of Andover, Me., though comparitively unknown till within a few years, is situated in the northern part of Oxford County, about twenty miles from Bryant's Pond, a station on G. T. R. R., and about thirteen miles from the Rangely Lakes. To the former place it is connected by a daily stage owned by Mr. Tuttle, and to the latter by teams or buckboards owned by A. W. Thomas and John A. French. Although Andover is somewhat isolated, being surrounded by mountains, some of them among the highest in the State, it is fast coming into public notice and will in a few years, without doubt, be regarded as one of the most charming summer resorts. Its beautiful and picturesque scenery tends to make it such. It lies in a beautiful valley which is very fertile, covered with fine farms. Through the valley flows the clear, laughing waters of the Ellis River, now dancing merrily through some rich meadow, then creeping silently through some sequestered nook, until lost in the waters of the Androscoggin. There are many points of interest here which would well pay the pleasure-seeker for coming miles to see; but the limited space will forbid my describing them this time. Perhaps, at some future time, with the permission of the Editor, I will tell more about them. But this is not all that helps to bring our little town to the attention of our "city cousins." The Ellis River is fed by many small streams that abound in trout, some of the streams seemingly alive with them; and there is a certain charm about trout-fishing, that, although a person may be completely exhausted as far as business life goes, sooths the aching head, quiets the nerves, drives dull cares away and makes him feel young again. Come up and see us and we will prove it. C.

We would be pleased to receive a description of all the points of interest round about Andover.—[Ed.

NORTH NORWAY.

Edwin Cox intends planting 4 acres of sweet corn for Paris corn factory.

Sabbath School at the Chapel is well attended. Virgil Dunn is Superintendent, Walter Buck librarian and Henry Merrill treasurer. Mrs. Rosanna Dunn has a large class of young men and Mrs. Budden has a class of 14 young ladies.

Preparations are being made to observe Children's Day, June 8th.

Amos T. Holt is very sick.

Those who have tried it say there is lots of fun hanging May baskets. It appears to be the principal amusement in this vicinity. The young people at Swift's Corner hung their pastor one last week consisting of coffee, sugar, potatoes, etc. They were all caught and duly punished for such an offence.

Miss Nellie Hobbs, Emma Towne and Chestina Judkins have gone to work in the shoe factory at the village.

Murray Russell and wife are visiting friends at Auburn.

Newell Young and Isaac Hayes from Lewiston visited No. Norway last week.

Frank Cox and J. K. French are busy grafting, for different parties in this town.

The Lincoln mills at Lewiston will be shut down for an indefinite period, June 1.

SOUTH PARIS.

The Stone family of Paris is somewhat remarkable for its longevity. Mr. Luther Stone, senior, moved from Bethel to this town 56 years ago. They had nine children, five boys and four girls, all of whom are now living. Four of them reside in town, Mrs. Phebe Perry and Mrs. Mary Jackson, Luther and Nathaniel Stone. Two at North Bridgton, Mrs. Hadassah Monk and Joel Stone. Wm. Stone is a stable keeper at Fall River, Mass., and his sister, Mrs. Salina Hooper lives in the same city. Zina E. Stone is a successful newspaper man and printer and lives in Lowell, Mass. He is one of the very few in his line of business that made a competency. Luther Stone, sen., and wife died some years ago.

C. H. Cummings, the new photographer, is now ready to take your pictures in any kind of weather, fair or cloudy. His rooms are next to the post-office. Read his advertisement in another column.

Messrs. W. P. Maxim, Farrar and Millett are about opening an Art Store in No. 1, Odd Fellows Block.

George F. Penley, of Albany, N. Y., the engineer who was killed in the collision the Central railroad, at Chittenango, N. Y., at four o'clock Saturday morning, was a native of Paris. He has lived in Albany more than a quarter of a century, and nearly the whole of the time he was in the employ of the Central railroad. From all that can be learned the accident was caused by a missplaced switch, which threw one freight train into another with such force as to wreck the locomotives and cars of both trains. Mr. Penley's remains was conveyed to his late home on Clinton Avenue that evening at about 5:30. The funeral occurred Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Penley has relatives living in this town and is well remembered by the people here. A telegram bringing to his friends the sad news of his death was received Saturday night and his brother, James Penley and brother-in-law, Capt. G. C. Pratt started at once to attend the funeral. The deceased leaves a widow and daughter to mourn his sad death. He was a member of the Locomotive Brotherhood, and the collector of insurance for this division. He was a man grdatly respected by his fellows.

The pastor of the Methodist church has prepared and submitted to his people a card designed to secure contributions for the benevolent enterprises of the church, and in a single week $117.88 were received. Last Sabbath pledge cards for the support of the gospel for the coming year were presented to the large congregation present, and without any previous notice of what was to be done, pledges to the amount of nearly $400.00 were secured; a result highly satisfactory to those having the matter in charge. The singing at the M. E. church next Sabbath morning will be led by a chorus choir.

The Memorial Day oration will be delivered by Geo. Wilson, esq.

A number of new tenement houses are being erected on High St., near the sled factory.

Mr. Frank Burbank has just moved into his new and tasteful residence on High St.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pratt are called to mourn the loss of their little child. Funeral services Thursday morning at 10 o'lock. "ARGUS."

Mr. Stone is building an addition to his house.

Widow Stevens' residence is newly shingled.

A Mr. Austin, of Gilead, was in town Wednesday, prospecting for a house in our village.

When completed, Mr. Benjamin Morse's house will be the largest and finest residence on Gothic St.

Mrs. Widow Lovejoy contemplates the building of a two-story residence, to be so arranged as to best convene a number of boarders.

In regard to query in last ADVERTISER, we venture the assertion that the man didn't go around the squirrel, although he went around the circle in which the squirrel was moving. If two horses on our Fair Ground travel, side by side, around the circle, the outer horse does not go around the inner one, although he travels around the circuit made by the horse inside. So if a squirrel starts around a tree, and travels so as to keep his back always towards the man who faces him, and both move so as to keep in the same relative position, the squirrel never will see the man, and the man never will see the whole of the squirrel, even if both should continue to travel around the tree till the end of the world. You can't go around anything, if your eyes are open, without seeing all sides of it. OCCASIONAL.

Theodore Thayer has recently purchased a nice new skeleton wagon built by S. E. Kimball.

Real estate is quite lively now purchasers are active.

D. N. True has shingled his store and shed.

Sumner Tucker and A. M. Gerry go to the Lakes fishing next week. R. J. Everett and Gus. Kenney go with them.

W. J. Wheeler has a new horse from Boston.

Alva Shurtleff and wife are at Skowhegan on a short visit to their son.

Gus. Kenney has sold his mare to Mr. Hooper of Mc. Falls.

Strawberries at Gran's this week only twenty-two cents per quart.

Memorial Day at South Paris.

As per order of the Committee on Decoration Day, May 30th, the day will be observed in a becoming and fitting manner by the "Paris Veterans."

At 7 o'clock, a. m., the graves of all soldiers buried in the different cemeteries of the town, excepting at South Paris, will be decorated by the soldiers detailed for that purpose.

At 9 o'clock, the "Veterans," schools and other invited organizations will report to the marshal, Capt. H. N. Bolster, at the School House yard, where a procession will be formed. At 9:30, the procession, headed by the So. Paris Brass Band, will move to the cemetery, where the graves will be decorated, and other appropriate exercises given:—prayer, singing, five-minute speeches, etc., after which the procession will re-form and march to the "New Hall," where Commander Hon. Geo. A. Wilson will deliver an address, music by the band, etc.

After the exercises at the hall, the Veterans, with their families, widows and children of deceased soldiers, visiting guests, headed by the band, will march to the Grange Hall, where a collection of baked beans, brown bread, "hard tack," hot coffee and doughnuts will be in waiting, after which it is proposed that a grand old fashioned Camp Fire be held: singing, remembrances of camp life, etc., will be offered.

Trusting that each and every veteran will be thoroughly aroused to the occasion, it is requested that they prepare and bring some small quantity of food, suitable for the table.

The following appointments have been made by the Committee of Arrangements. Capt. H. N. Bolster, Marshal; J. H. Barrows, J. H. Dunham, Geo. W. Ripley, Assistant Marshals; Capt. G. C. Pratt, Quarter Master; Dr. Isaac Rounds, Surgeon; Rev. Ira G. Sprague, Chaplain.

H. T. WALKER, Sec.

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FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1884.

[Entered as Second Class mail matter.]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Dry Goods—M. M. Phinney.
Fancy Goods—Brackett's Branch.
Stationery—C. H. Noble.
Oxford Town Bonds called.
Agents wanted.
Cultivators—S. D. Edwards, Oxford.
Coat Makers Wanted.
O. K. Plows and Cultivators.
Photo—C. H. Cummings, South Paris.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

Isn't it about time for a school-meeting?

Read Bearce & Clifford's card* in this paper.

The Insurance agents were thick here last week.

Frank Noyes has the front of his store decorated.

A lot of nice looking tomato plants at E. W. Howe's store.

Joe Long is getting out some curbing for Freeland Howe.

Monday was the only genuine, warm and pleasant day for many months.

Several of our street windows are filled with splendid looking plants.

Miss Evie Andrews of Paris has been visiting relatives and friends here.

A new lot of choice cigars and tobacco, that can't be beat, at C. H. Noble's.

First Strawberries of the season Monday. Jones of South Paris had them.

O. M. Cummings took a load to Lewiston to see the fancy Skater at Lewiston Rink last week.

Miss Susie True has gone to Auburn to spend the summer. She will take music lessons while there.

Miss Hawkins has returned from a visit to her brother, Hon. Dexter A. Hawkins, of New York City.

Dr. G. W. Brown and S. L. Crockett went fishing Monday. A big catch of speckled beauties was the result.

The gardens are being planted. David Gurney is ahead. He has peas and several other things already up.

It is J. H. Linscott and not L. H. Linscott who has bought the granite business of L. L. Howard, jr.

John D. Wilson started for Florida Wednesday. His family will spend the summer at Old Orchard.

Hosmer and Everett prevented a run-away Monday afternoon, by seizing a horse just in the nick of time.

The sprinkler was taken out Monday. Tuesday the streets were wet enough with water from a higher source.

Mrs. Sarah E. True has had her iron front yard fence painted, and a wood fence built on the east side of her lot.

Miss Elvira Haskell has returned from Auburn, where she has been for the past few weeks, much improved in health.

Mrs. Betsey Greenleaf has had a walk laid from her front door to the street, and also painted her front yard fence.

C. H. Noble has a small lot of good Cigars and good smoking Tobacco that he will dispose of less than cost to close them out.

Charles F. Millett, we learn, has a new way of catching woodchucks. His method of proceedure will be explained upon inquiry.

Joe Long has bought a piece of land on Pike's Hill of the Tucker heirs. There are some fine stones on the lot for underpinning, etc.

John J. Hayden has been getting off the large stones from his lot. He has the foundation laid for a stable and the sills are on.

Steve collared a chap Sunday forenoon, who had failed to pay a hire for horse here Saturday night according to promise. He *antied*.

Arthur French, a graduate of Norway High School, was in town last week. He closes his Freshman year at Bates College this term.

A drinking man in the Democrat gives Paris a good send off as a temperance town but in Norway "commercial men" don't have to go "to bed dry."

Ernest Tracy, of North Norway, who has been stopping at Dr. Tilton's the past winter and attending the High School, has gone to his home to spend the summer.

Brackett's Branch Store has another advertisement this week. This is the season when everybody is buying summer goods. You will find a good assortment at Brackett's.

Cliff. Hall caught a nice string of trout in Harrison, last week. He had 25 beauties some of which would weigh half a pound. It was the best string of trout we have seen for a long time.

If any of our readers are in want of a job where they can be insured a good salary and have their travelling expenses paid, they will do well to read the advertisement of D. F. Attwood & Co., which appears elsewhere.

Herbert L. Russell, a graduate of the Norway High School, has attended 25 terms of school without being absent a single recitation. He is an excellent scholar, and is fitted to enter any college.

The District Lodge of Good Templars will meet here June 12th. Rev. Mr. Munson and B. C. Torsey, esq., of Winthrop, will speak in the evening. The members of the Reform Club and Ladies' Aid Society are invited.

A large attendance at the temperance meeting last Sunday afternoon. Miss Lillie Ames read a temperance sketch and remarks were made by the President, A. B. Chase, E. H. Brown, J. A. Brown, Rev. Mr. Hopkins, Rev. Mr. Pillsbury and others.

The Glen House will open June 25th. Nate Denison, Norman Buck, G. B. Andrews, Arthur French, Charles Wilson, Herbert Russell and Eugene Bartlett are among the young men who will preside in the dining room the coming season.

A large lot of spring goods of all kinds have just been received at M. M. Phinney's Dry Goods' Establishment Read his new advertisement this week, and you will see he has a very large stock of new and stylish goods from which to select.

Saturday evening the High School gave an entertainment at Norway Hall, which was well attended. The entertainment was creditable to the scholars. Miss Ella M. Crooker, daughter of J. O. Crooker, graduated this term. Her valedictory was fine and was listened to with interest. It showed she well understood her subject. She was presented with a beautiful basket of flowers. After the exercises there was a pleasant "Sociable." The program was as follows:

Piano Solo,	Estelle Crooker.
Declamation, "The Angels of Buena Vista,"	Verner Whitman.
Recitation, "The Famine"	Mabel Brown.
Song,	Lillie Boynton.
Declamation, "Norval,"	Frank Bartlett.
Declamation, "The High Tide,"	Kenneth Gurney.
Declamation, "Das Schloss am Meer,"	Herbert Russell.
Original Paper,	Etta Knightly, Grace Stevens.
Piano Duet,	Susie True, Jessie Warren.
Original Discussion, "Which did more for his country, Washington or Lincoln?"	Ernest Tracy, J. Orin Smith.
Song,	Nellie Stuart.
Valedictory, "Results of Perseverance,"	Ella M. Crooker.
Duet,	Jessie Warren, Susie True.

Old newspapers exchanged for cash at this office.

M. M. Phinney appears on our streets with a new and handsome carriage.

Mrs. Mark Smith has built a new fence round her lot and painted her house.

A good pair of double harnesses for sale. Enquire at this office. Been in use less than two months.

We received sample copies of Woodbury N. J. papers from E. E. Jewell, of Illion N. Y. Thanks.

George Merrill was in town for a few days this week. His family has moved from Auburn here. Mr. Merrill will go to Berlin Falls N. H. to work next week.

J. C. Bennett now drives a new meat cart, built by Libby & Mixer, and is more smiling than ever. The cart is a beauty and made its first appearance on our streets Thursday morning. Bennett's Market now runs two carts and business is apparently booming.

Chas. B. Cummings is thinking of presenting us with a 7 x 9 brindle poodle pup. He is to exchange a cord of wood for the dog. Wood to Cummings is next to nothing as he has several thousand cords or less on hand and for sale for cash or its equivalent.

Hon. H. H. Dickey, Ex-Mayor of Lewiston, died in Lewiston Wednesday morning. His second wife, Eliza Gurney, was a native of Norway. She died some four years ago. They left four children, three daughters and one son, and all but one reside in Lewiston.

Patronize those who advertise. They want your trade and will use you well. It is the live and enterprising business man who advertises; the others whine and complain because their competitors (whose notices are seen in this paper,) are doing more business than they are. It is a fact that judicious advertising pays. Try it and see for yourself.

Memorial Day at Norway.

Comrades of Harry Rust Post G. A. R. will observe Memorial Day as near as may be in the following order. A detail of some Comrade living in the vicinity of the different burying grounds outside the village is made to decorate the graves of all soldiers that have been, at any time in the service of this country. This will be done the morning of the 30th inst., with flags furnished by the Post. Comrades named for this duty are, North Norway, F. M. Noble, Frank Cox, J. H. Knapp; Pike's Hill, J. Frank Bradbury; Waterford, Geo. M. Knight, W. W. Watson; Otisfield, W. W. Andrews, C. W. Sanborn; Oxford, E. E. Johnson, Nat. Frost; Harrison, Perry Russell; Stoneham, Albert Littlefield. These Comrades will be supplied by the Quarter Master, and it may be well for them to report to him how many they want. As the Paris Veterans have made arrangements to observe Decoration Day, I order no detail for Paris.

At 1 o'clock p. m., sharp, the line will be formed near headquarters under the Marshalship of W. C. Cole, Band, Norway Light Infantry as escort, Harry Rust Post No. 54, G. A. R. and all ex-soldiers, together with such other organizations as wish to take part. The column will march to Rustfield and Pine Grove Cemeteries, where proper decoration services will be performed. Returning to Norway Hall there will be an address by C. M. Stearns of Lovell, reading of a Memorial Hymn written by the special request of the Comrades, by Mrs. Elliott Smith, music, etc., etc.

To the friends, let it be understood, the Post furnishes flags only for decoration. Floral tributes, of all kinds, are in order and will be thankfully received at Concert Hall any time Friday, 30th inst., up to 1 o'clock. Mark plain the name and cemetery.

To the citizens of Norway and vicinity, let me say that this service will not be of a political nature, sect or creed. Our motto: "Fraternity, C. L." We desire the public should feel an interest in these exercises, and to this end, let us all unite on this Memorial Day, and pay proper respect to our Patriot dead. The different organizations are respectfully invited to join with us. I hope they will feel an interest in doing so. It is especially desired that the children should have a part. I would advise that they marshal under the teachers of the village schools.

As has been the custom of Comrades in the past to attend church Sabbath preceeding Memorial, the Rev. Mr. Pillsbury has been invited, and accepted, to speak in behalf of the Post. I would like a full attendance at this meeting. Comrades can meet at Concert Hall at 1 o'clock p. m., Sunday, May. 25th. L. I. BARTLETT.

To all Old Residents of Norway.

This town has decided to have its history published during its centennial year (1886), and the compilation of the work has been contracted for and is going on. A history of the town without sketches of its people and records of its families, would be of little value, and without your co-operation, these records cannot be obtained. The usual sources of information have been closed by the burning of our town records, and the desired information can now be obtained only from the families themselves. Blanks with the following questions are being sent to the head of each family now in town, and it is earnestly desired that all old residents of Norway, now living away who may read this may immediately send answers of interest for preservation to HENRY UPTON of the committee. Write names and dates plainly.

Your name in full, and occupation?
Date and place of your birth?
Maiden name and date of birth of your wife?
Date of your marriage?
Names and date of birth of your children?
Children died when?
Children married when and to whom?
Name, date and place of birth of your father?
Maiden name, date and place of birth of your mother?
Name, date and place of birth of your grandfather?
Maiden name, date and place of birth of your grandmother?
Names and date of birth of your uncles and aunts?
When, and from whence, did you, or your ancestors come to Norway?
What wars have you or your ancestors served in?
Relate any incident occurring in town worth being preserved?

If you cannot answer all of the questions, please to answer as many as may be possible, and oblige,

Yours Respectfully,

GEORGE L. BEAL,
MARCUS F. BROOKS,
HENRY UPTON, } *Com.*

Another Year.

[MR. EDITOR.—The following lines were written by Miss Maggie Charlena Milner, and handed to me, with the request to know if I thought them worthy a place in your paper. Believing that the many friends of the—now departed—young lady will be interested to read some of her thoughts, while here living among us. I am hopeful you will insert them.]
A. FRIEND.

Another year has gone,
So quickly did it pass—
It seemed to vanish as the dew
Before the sun, on grass.

Within the past forever,
Another year has gone,
With all that we have purposed,
With all that we have done.

But just within the future,
Another new year lies,
In all its golden promise,
And opportunities.

We cannot change the old year,
In records good or ill,
But we can take the new year,
And make it what we will.

"The Lord is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid."—Psalms.

Joseph S. Morrow, painter, aged 71, hung himself in a barn at Belfast Wednesday. No cause is assigned.

The new town hall in Brunswick will be opened June 2d under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic. Gen. J. L. Chamberlain will deliver the oration.

During the thirty-two years of Conductor Jewett's connection with the Maine Central railroad but one man has been killed on any of his trains.

Benj. C. Briggs of Paris has secured a patent on a fertilizer.

Four children were drowned at Portsmouth, Ohio, a bridge on which they were crossing, falling.

Mortgages were recorded in Washington the 20th against two houses owned by Gen. Grant in favor of William H. Vanderbilt, as security for the $150,000 obtained from Mr. Vanderbilt.

Brown University has just received $50,000 from the estate of the late Gardner Colby of Maine.

A bronze Statue of Martin Luther was unveild in Washington Wednesday.

Tuesday Mr. Tobias L. Eastman, the genial postmaster at Fryeburg, was united in marriage with Miss Adelia S. Walker, also of Fryeburg. The nuptial ceremonies were performed by Rev. J. K. Mason, pastor of the Congregational church, and were witnessed by a large number of the friends of the bride and groom. In the evening a reception was held at the residence of the new couple, and many of the village people availed themselves of the opportunity to present their congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Eastman.

A Washington oil broker has disappeared from Washington with $200,000 belonging to his dupes.

The distress caused by floods in Louisiana is increasing.

The carriers in the vicinity of Boston propose to strike.

The Chain Lake monster, which it was claimed was seen in the Schoodic Lakes in Eastern Me. two or three years ago, has again put in an appearance. It was recently seen in Big Lake by an Indian and two squaws. They were very much frightened and immediately paddled ashore whe then serpent came in view.

The House Committee on agriculture has decided to report adversely Representative Reed's resolution directing the committee on agriculture to make an investigation of the foot and mouth disease in Maine.

IF YOU WANT!

If you want Billheads,
If you want Tax Bills,
If you want Envelopes,
If you want Statements,
If you want Show Cards,
If you want Blank Deeds,
If you want Blank Drafts,
If you want Note Heads,
If you want Blank Notes,
If you want Ball Tickets,
If you want Auction Bills,
If you want Large Posters,
If you want Blank Checks,
If you want Blank Orders,
If you want Visiting Cards,
If you want Address Cards,
If you want Books Printed,
If you want Business Cards,
If you want Blank Receipts,
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If you want Job Printing of any description done at cheap rates, go to the ADVERTISER Steam Printing Office, Norway, Me.

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In their season.

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NOTICE.

To Holders of Town of Oxford Bonds:

Pursuant to instructions from the Selectmen of the Town of Oxford, I hereby notify the holders of the following described Bonds:

Bond	No. 46	Amount,	$50.
"	" 47	"	$50.
"	" 48	"	$100.
"	" 49	"	$100.
"	" 50	"	$100.
"	" 51	"	$100.
"	" 52	"	$500.

To present the same for payment at the Town Treasurer's Office, in Oxford, on or before **June 15th, 1884**, as interest will cease at that date. GEO. H. JONES, Treasurer.
Oxford, Me., May 21, 1884. 3w21

Help Wanted to Peel Hemlock!

Two or three good men to Peal Hemlock Bark, on and after June 2d. Timber located on "Hill Lot," belonging to S. R. Chapman, farm in Andover. Will pay by the cord or day. Would prefer to let it by the cord.
Apply at once to IRA G. SPRAGUE, So. Paris, Me., or J. L. CHAPMAN, Andover, Me.

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2w21 NURSERYMEN, Geneva, N. Y.

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J. A. BUCKNAM & CO.,
3w21 Mechanic Falls, Me.

A dog belonging to Mr. John Farris, of Albion, run mad on Sunday says the *Lewision Journal*. He made an attack upon a young man standing in the yard who kicked him off. After this the dog ran down the road until he reached the yard of Mr. Albert Burrill, where he attacked some hens. He tore one hen to pieces, and by that time Mr. B. procured his gun and ended the dog's career.

C. E. Palmer, boot and shoe dealer, Guilford, has liabilities of $3000 and assets of about $500. The creditors will receive, it is thought, not more than ten cents on the dollar.

George B. Hall, dealer in general merchandise, Edes Falls, Napies, has settled with his creditors at fifty cents on the dollar.

Capt. David Robinson, of the steamer Mt. Desert, has been retired by the Boston & Bangor Steamship Company on half pay for life.

A most destructive fire has taken place in Bei Bayar, in Asia Minor. Hundreds of dwellings, ware-houses, mosques, etc., were destroyed and eleven persons perished in its flames.

Thursday Senator Cullon, of Illinois, introduced a bill in the Senate to prohibit the officers of National banks from speculating in stocks.

It is said the Maine editors traveling in the Sunny South met with an obsticle last Friday night in the shape of fourteen wrecked freight cars on the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia R. R. After viewing the wreck and holding council it was decided that all the wit and eloquence of our New England editors was insufficient to induce the freight ears to retire for a moment to let them pass, or to get the train bearing them over the ruins. So they walked "on foot" to the station at Dalton, Ga., where they arrived several hours later.

RESOLUTIONS Adopted by Norway Grange No. 45, P. of H.

WHEREAS, the unwelcome messenger Death has again entered within our gates, and taken another of our best beloved members, Sister Mary Ann Stanton, and borne her to that undiscovered country from which no traveler ever returns. Therefore

Resolved, That while we cannot see through all the mysterious workings of Nature's eternal law, and it is often hard to submit to its inexorable demands, yet we may find consolation in keeping in remembrance the deeds of those who in life were truly good.

Resolved, That by the death of Sister Stanton this Grange has lost another of its well beloved members; but the influence of a noble life and character such as hers is worthy of imitation by all true Patrons.

Resolved, That these Resolutions be entered with the Record of the Grange, published in the Norway paper, and a copy presented our bereaved Brother.

E. H. BROWN,
MRS. JAMES BENNETT, } Com.
C. W. RYERSON.

BIRTHS.

In Norway, May 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Levi Holden, a son.
In Norway, May 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Turner C. Hunton, a son.
In Norway, May 14, to Mr. and Mrs. George F. Young, a son.
In Norway, May 19, to Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Evans, a daughter.
In Bethel May 14, to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Capen, a son.

MARRIAGES.

In Bethel, May 14, by Rev. D. Garland, Volney S. Davis of Errol, N. H., and Vitella Mason of Gilead, Me.
In Poland, May 12, by Rev. C. M. Abbott, George Carpenter of Poland, and Lizzie C. Brown of Vienna.
In Denmark, May 15, by Rev. E. S. Jordan, Enoch G. Stevens of Hadley, Mass., and Phebe J. Pingree of Denmark.
In West Stoneham, May 4, by Judge Walker, Evans McAllister of Stoneham, and Phila Grant of Fryeburg.
In Gorham, N. H., May 17, at the home of the bride, by Rev. F. W. Smith, William B. Kendall of Bethel, and Mrs. Flora A. Higgins of Gorham, N. H.

DEATHS.

In West Paris, May 4, Mrs. Lavina Chandler aged 89 years, 6 months.
In West Bethel, May 17, John Needham.
In Mechanic Falls, May 20, Mrs. Joseph DeCoster, aged about 28 years.
In Boston, May 20, James Greenleaf, former, ly of Norway, aged 31 years.
In Berlin Falls, N. H., May 13, Asa Danforth Jordan, formerly of Norway, aged 83 years.

Photo Price List.

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1,000 yards of all Linen Crash at 6¼ cents per yard, worth 10 cents.
2,000 yards of Good Style Dress Ginghams at 8 cents, worth 10 cents.
One case of Bed Spreads at 50 cents, very cheap; also Bed Spreads from 50 cents to $5.00, which are all big trades.
One lot of Gents' White Shirts, pure Linen Bosoms at 50 cents, worth 75 cents.
One lot of Ladies Gauze Vests at 35 cts.
One lot of Ottoman Silk Ribbons at 5 cents per yard, worth 10 cents.

Bargains in Napkins!

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[From the Bridgton News.]

HARRISON.

Mrs. Albert Gale is in poor health. Mrs. Edwin Edson is convalescing from along sickness.

Isaac Allen commences this week to erect a beautiful structure of fine granite work on the Blake lot in the Cemetery, which he had been preparing for sometime past. It will be the most costly and elegant piece of granite memorial work ever constructed hereabouts.

Real estate transfer: Albert Burnham to Lyman Shedd, land; $1,000.

EDES FALLS.

The soldiers around Edes Falls are about organizing a G. A. R. Post.

N. L. Maxfield, with three more of the boys of this vicinity, have gone to Boston to work in the ice business.

Lillie Maxfield and Eva Brackett are taking music lessons of Mrs. R. E. Brackett of Boston, who is spending the spring and summer at Cook's Mills.

E. O. Cobb, catcher, and C. B. McKenney, pitcher, of Webb's Mills, have engaged to play base ball the coming season for the Mechanic Falls team.

SWEDEN.

B. L. Dresser, who is living on the Nelson Gamage place, is repairing the house to quite an extent.

Isaac Davis, who lives near Sweden line, sprained his ankle last week very badly.

Susie Stuart, who has been stopping with her sister, Mrs. Haxen, is in Boston.

[From the Canton Telephone.]

CANTON.

Wilder Hayford was at home Monday.

An infant son of H. J. DeShon is very ill.

A. M. Austin of Portland, was in town last week.

Mary Wright is learning dress-making with Abbie Johnson.

Lydia Waite is teaching school in the Jackson district, Livermore.

R. G. Dunn has bought a lot of Mr. Harper, and intends to build thereon this summer.

Mrs. H. Y. Lane and child arrived from Vinalhaven Friday evening. They are stopping at Hotel Swasey.

Supt. Lincoln says he has a faithful crew of boys on the gravel train. They are now making an extensive fill at Gilbertville.

R. C. Knowles has recovered from a long sickness caused by rheumatism and is able to walk to his shop on fair days.

We understand Granville Childs is to move to his farm at the Point, and H. V. Lane of the firm of Lane & Patterson, will occupy Mr. Childs' present home.

B. A. Swasey of this town, had a mare on board the steamer City of Portland, which was wrecked last week. She was on her way to Calais. The report of the disaster says: While the passengers were transferred, a horse, the only one on board, jumped overboard and swam around the steamer, and then coming back, put his fore feet upon the guard and looked up in a pleading manner. Two men in a dory rowed up towards it; and one of them seized his halter, while the other pulled away. In this manner the horse was pulled to the shore, nearly two miles distant.

EAST RUMFORD.

Wilson Thomas is about building an addition to his barn.

Henry Abbott and W. Clark are treating their buildings to a new coat of paint.

Ed Abbott has returned from Mass., and taken possession of the old homestead farm.

E. F. Elliott contemplates remodeling his house this season.

DIXFIELD.

S. E. Griffith is moving back into the building which he occupied before he went to Auburn last fall.

Thomas and Geo. Cox arrived in town from Ill. Monday night.

MEXICO.

Old Bruin is on the war path for sheep. He killed one for Benj. Edmonds last week. P. M. Edmonds of Roxbury tracked an old bear and some young cubs, in Roxbury a few days ago. Every one where the bears range should look out for their sheep as the bears are very hungry this spring.

Benj. Edmonds has sold his farm to Ralph Kidder, formerly of Dixfield.

[From the Kezar Falls' Record.]

KEZAR FALLS.

Mrs. John Newbegin is in Saco, visiting relatives and friends.

The painters have been at work on Elias Newbegin's house this week.

Tobias Stanley and Arthur Bebee have gone to Massachusetts to try their fortunes.

The appearance of the yard in front of the school-house, across the river, is being very much improved by gravelled walks and turfing.

L. D. Stanley & Co. have dissolved partnership. Wesley Wentworth retires and Stanley continues in the business.

Mr. Sutton Edgecomb was tapped again a few days ago, making nine times he has undergone this operation since he has been sick.

BROWNFIELD.

David Fogg is having his stable repaired. A. C. Morrison is doing the work.

Dr. McAllister is in town this week.

Howard Moulton has returned from Boston.

PORTER.

Mr. Simon Brown is very sick. It is doubtful if he recovers, as he is nearly 80 years old.

There is to be a baptism in this place on Sunday, May 25. There are eight candidates. Rev. A. G. Davis and Rev. Mark Stevens are the officiating clergymen.

Mrs. Abbie French returned to Boston last Thursday. Her mother is better.

Mrs. Susie Sheridan, of New York, has been here on a visit.

Mrs. A. F. Mason is still confined to the house. Miss Sadie Jenkins is getting better.

Wm. S. Stanley, of Lowell, Mass., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. G. Heard.

Maj. James French has a gun that was captured from the Indians, near the Canada line, in the war of 1812. It was brought into town by John Libby, from whom Mr. French obtained it. The barrel is worn quite thin, but has considerable service in it yet.

HIRAM.

Miss Fannie Hubbard is attending school at Fryeburg Academy, also John P. Hubbard.

Mr. Sndric Clemons has a great-grand-daughter, aged two years, (a child of Sylvanus Thoms.) She has learned to thread a needle, and can sew to make clothing for her dolls.

On May 13th, Mrs. John H. Spring fell down a steep flight of stairs and received many severe bruises, but no bones were broken.

John Pierce, esq., has bought the Geo. W. Burbank place at Hiram.

Mrs. Frank Wadsworth has been confined to her bed by severe illness, but is improving.

David Lowell and Jas. H. Ridlon have taken a job to peel some 600 M. of hemlock, at Fryeburg, and haul it next winter for Maj. D. E. Hastings.

Mr. Aaron McLucas has made arrangements with his nephew, Andrew C. Lowell, to live with him during his life, and have his estate when he is done with it.

SOUTH HIRAM.

Mr. Peleg C. Wadsworth is confined to the house by sickness. He completed his 87th year Apr. 26. Miss Dora Wadsworth is sick with a slow fever.

Mr. Samuel D. Brown has moved to the Jonas L. Spring house.

Wm. G. Norton has returned to his old home near Clemons Pond. At the forks of the Notch road near his house is a little knoll, two or three feet high, and the water that falls on one side of it runs into Saco river, while that falling on the other runs into the Ossipee.

Mrs. Chas. F. Wadsworth is still in Portland for medical treatment.

Edwin R. Wadsworth has a knife that has come down for generations in the Benton family, the blade of which was made of part of a sword, broken at the battle of Bunker Hill.

Justin Sawyer and wife of Mass., have been visiting her parents, Jonas B. Spring and family.

Rev. F. D. George and wife are under appointment of the Free Baptist Foreign Mission Board as Missionaries to India, and will sail for their field of labor the coming fall.

Engineer Geo. Penley, was killed and a brakeman badly injured by two freight trains colliding at Chittenango, N. Y. Station Saturday morning.

It is said that a new line of steamers is to be run between Portland and Boston, making the trip in the daytime.

A rich old farmer of Southwick, Mass., was robbed of $2,000 Friday afternoon near his home by three card monte thieves.

There is no likelihood of an adjournment of Congress before July first.

An attempt is being made among the people of Skowhegan to secure such a change in the trains between Waterville and Skowhegan as to allow the receipt of the morning mail from Portland before evening as has been the case.

Blankets take their name from Sir Thomas Blanket, of Bristol, who first made them in 1340, while worsted is so called from the town of Worsted, in Norfolk, where it was first manufactured.

James B. Garrison, the "living skeleton," whose marriage to an accomplished but infatuated Philadelphia girl created considerable sensation some months ago, died in West Virginia recently. It is said that the refusal of his wife to live with him hastened his death.

It is understood that F. Shaw & Bros. have been making investigations for the removal of their tannery from this State to Wisconsin.

Wm. Foster, a brakeman on the Maine Central, was killed Monday morning while shackling cars at Oldtown.

W. H. Harvey was instantly killed at Kingman in a saw mill by being caught in a belt.

The June number of *Ballou's* Magazine opens with an illustrated article on Royal Worcester Ware. Then follows a liberal instalment of that popular yarn, called "On Land and Sea; or California in the Years 1843, '44 and '45, by William H. Thomes. It also contains the usual interesting amount of miscellaneous matter, poetry, engravings, humorous notes, and many other things which we have not time to notice. Thomes & Talbot, 23 Hawley Street, Boston.

A ROMANCE FROM MAINE.

Some years before the war, Otis Burton, a farmer residing at Bangor, left to seek his fortune in the West. He drifted to Missouri, where he met an accomplished young lady with whom he fell in love. She was pleased with him, but before he made his passion known she moved to a distant part of the South.

About this time the war broke out, and the two lost all trace of each other. Burton joined the Union army, and was soon afterward wounded, and, as it was supposed he would die, a letter was sent to his mother informing her that her son could not live. He, however, was blessed with a good constitution and recovered. He went back to his regiment, and was detailed with a company to take supplies across the plains. The party was attacked by Indians, and every man in the force except Burton killed. He was reported to have been slain with the rest. The Indians decided to let him live, and took him a prisoner to their retreat in the mountains of the Southwest. He gradually recovered from wounds he had received in the encounter, made himself agreeable to his captors, and adapted himself to their way of living.

After he had been in captivity six months or more he was allowed more liberty, and now began to watch for a chance to escape. The Indians had stolen a number of ponies, and among them was one which Burton's practiced eye showed him was highly bred, swift, and with speed and endurance. This pony was cared for and petted by Burton, and he was allowed to ride him. One day he strayed away further than usual, and though not acquainted with the country, made a dash for liberty. He was closely pursued, but the gallant little pony had the "bottom" for a winning race. He rode three days, and then began to see that he was getting out of the hostile country. In the distance he saw a house which he knew must be inhabited by whites. He shouted with joy, feeling that he had gained freedom at last. He knocked at the door of the house and a surprise awaited him. It was opened by the woman he had loved in auld lang syne. He was at once recognized and received a hearty welcome. Burton told his adventures and narrow escape to a willing listener. She, too, told her story. She had married a confederate officer, who was afterward killed in battle, and she owned the farm she occupied. Is it necessary to tell the rest? They were betrothed, there was a merry wedding, and the happy couple are still living in a southwestern State. Surely in real life there are romances as strange and more interesting than those woven by the fertile brain of the novelist.

A new Free Baptist church is to be erected this season at Littleton.

Items of Interest.

A scientist of Texas, who has seen the big meteor that has been dug up in Los Angeles, describes it as "about the size of a trunk."

Meissonier is painting a large picture which represents Francis I. and the Chevalier Bayard in the midst of a gorgeous company.

An English invention, by which gas jets may be lighted by an electric battery, contained in a small portable tube, has made its appearance here.

East Indians refuse cheese made with rennet, but a substitute has been found in a shrub common in northern India, the fermentive principle of whose seed is said to have almost the same effect.

It is related of a Chicago young woman and a Chinese lady that on being introduced they looked at each other's feet and then both fainted dead away, the former from mortification and the latter from fright.

M. Mace, the great French detective and the terror of the Paris evil doer, is just about five feet tall, if it be proper to use the term tall, as applied to such a stature. He has been thirty years in the service.

Asphalt grows greatly in favor for street pavement in Berlin. An immense quantity has been put down in the last two years. At the end of 1882 the surface covered by it was 185,000 square metres.

California hogs have to be trapped in the woods in about the same manner as bears. On most of the ranches, it is said, the swine are as wild as deer, and when cornered will place themselves on the defensive and fight like tigers.

Of the 20,000 bronze articles which have been found among the remains of the Swiss lake dwellers, about 30 per cent. are rings, 17 per cent. bracelets, 4 per cent. knives, 3 per cent. needles, 0.4 per cent. hammers, and 0.2 per cent. fibulæ.

A singular accident happened lately at a mill in Nashville, Tenn. A workman was thrown toward a circular saw, and, thinking he would strike it, died from fright. When picked up he was dead, but there was no sign of a bruise on his body.

The window pane at the jail which was penetrated by Sergeant Mason's bullet when he fired at Guiteau will soon be taken out by General Croker. The wind has blown a section of the pane out and to preserve it with the round hole intact it will be necessary to remove at once.

Near Bismarck, Dakota, Mr. Jones settled upon a claim, and while excavating a cellar for his house struck an excellent vein of lignite coal. He finished the excavation, built his house over it, and now when his fires need replenishing, he simply goes down in the cellar and picks up what coal he needs.

At Bethany Pa., recently, Thos. Avery, while shoveling snow out of his yard, discovered buried in the snow a hen which he had missed for ten days. She had packed the snow down and made a room the size of a bushel basket. Beyond the loss of flesh incident to the long fast the hen was unharmed.

All the old envelopes, newspapers, wrappings and scraps of paper which accumulate in the Treasury Department at Washington are carefully saved in what is called the waste-paper room. All this refuse is sorted out by men and women, and sold to old junk in New York. The receipts amount to quite a handsome little sum.

It is a curious fact that old wasp's nests sometimes take fire, as is supposed, by the chemical action of the wax upon the material of which the nest is composed. Many of the fires of unknown origin in haystacks and farm buildings may thus be accounted for. Old lumber piles have been known to take fire unaccountably, possibly from a similar cause.

The Dutch papers mention the discovery of a "certain cure" for gout. A peasant who was confined to his bed by a sharp attack, was stung by a bee, and almost immediately he felt better and next day he was well. A short time after another patient thought he would try the same remedy, and having induced a bee to sting him on the part affected, he also was cured.

A resident of Collinsby, says the Toronto *Mail*, objected to a young man paying his respects to his daughter, and set a large rat trap at the spot over which the lover would surely pass. The parent was not aware that his wife was visiting when he set the trap. About eleven o'clock at night he was aroused by the screams of his wife, who had one of her feet caught in the trap, but she was released by the lover, who was in the parlor at the time, before the husband arrived. The young man is now a welcome visitor at the house.

The Liverpool rowdy has a peculiar style of dress. The jacket, vest, and trousers are made of a thick, undyed cotton cloth called moleskin, which has something of a velvet smoothness and softness on its right side. The jacket reaches just below the hips and buttons to the throat over a scarf or muffler, and the number of its buttons are great. The trousers fit tight to the knee, from whence they hang with a rakish looseness and nearly cover the boot. Crowning all is a round worsted cloth peak cap, with a little round knob on the top, that makes a very suitable finish to the whole man.

A TECHNICAL JUDGE.

The following story is told of Judge Gray, now in the United States Supreme Court: A man was brought before him who was justly charged with being an offender of the meanest sort. Through some technicality the Judge was obliged to discharge him, but as he did so he chose the time to say what he thought of the matter. "I believe you are guilty," he said, "and would wish to condemn you severely, but through a petty technicality I am obliged to discharge you. I know you are guilty, and so do you, and I wish you to remember that you will some day pass before a better and perhaps a wiser Judge, when you will be dealt with according to justice and not according to law."

When you see an old man amiable, mild, equable, content and good-humored, be sure that in his youth he has been just, generous, and forbearing. In his old age he does not lament the past nor dread the future. He is like the evening of a fine day.

We should be as careful of our words as of our actions, and as far from speaking ill as from doing ill.

HOME COMFORTS FOR FARMERS.

The comfort of the farmer's family should not be overlooked. Very old farm-houses, and those that are cheaply built for temporary use until a better can be afforded, are often most uncomfortable in severe weather. Windows and doors admit the external air more freely than is required for ventilation. Weather strips made of India rubber are very effective, but they are not to be had everywhere, and require more of an outlay than is always convenient. A little ingenuity will provide substitutes. For the windows, place small wedges between the upper and lower sashes, to prevent rattling, then paste on strips of brown paper to close all the cracks, using stiff flour paste, or that made from rye meal with a little alum added. It is well to leave one upper sash to be let down, as may be required for ventilation. Doors may be made tight by tacking tailor's listing or folded strips of woolen cloth along the sides and tops. The opening at the bottom of doors is usually the largest. For these, take pieces of small scantling, of the proper length, and cover with old carpet or other convenient fabric, stuffing the side which goes against the door with wool, cotton, or even with hay, to make a sort of cushion. While it is well enough to have the kitchen door open directly into the room in Summer, it is very uncomfortable for the inmates in Winter. If possible, a storm door, which can be closed before the kitchen door is opened, should be provided. This may be made in such a manner as to be taken away in warm weather and stored for future use. Sleeping rooms in farm-houses are usually cold. Those who suffer from cold feet should not be deterred from making themselves comfortable through fear of being thought "old womanish." If one cannot sleep on account of cold feet he should warm them. Bottles of hot water will answer, but are not as good as blocks of soap-stone. Blocks of hard wood that have no turpentine, if placed in the stove oven early in the evening, will be found excellent foot-warmers. In driving in the country in very cold weather, a foot-warmer of some kind will add greatly to the comfort of those making the journey.

RUINS OF ASSOS.

Some German papers gave an interesting account of the excavations which have been carried on at the site of Assos, one of the oldest cities of Asia Minor. It is mentioned in the Sallier papyrus among the auxiliaries of the Hittites, at Kadesh, on the Orontes, against Rhamses the Great, 1,400 years B. C. It was built on a steep hill, of volcanic origin, south of the Trojan plain, was well protected by its position from hostile attacks, and seems to have been inhabited by a purely Greek population far down into our era. Why it was abandoned we know not. It cannot have been because of its destruction, for most of its buildings are still well preserved; indeed, the best preserved specimens of profane Greek architecture are to be found here. Even the burial places are in excellent preservation. One hundred and twenty-four sarcophagi were found in one row, all undisturbed; some of them dated from the seventh century before our era, and some belonged to the eleventh century before our era, and some belonged to the eleventh century after Christ. Few objects of value were to be found in the tombs. All around the market place are buildings in a ruinous condition. On one side is a pillared portico 110 metres long: on another is still to be seen the raised dais whence speakers harangued the public assembly; on a third side is the Bouleuterion, or council chamber, a handsome building. On the fourth side are the baths, the only Greek specimen of the kind. They are in four stories, each of the lower two having twenty-six bathing chambers, divided by a corridor. The water came from a vast cistern constructed under the market place. The upper story seems to have been transformed into a Heroon, where the ashes of renowned citizens were deposited, and ashes were found in some funeral urns there. All the buildings have been erected out of the stone of the mountain, which resembles fine granite, and they show a regular architectural development. The exploration has been carried out under the superintendence of some American archæologists.

MISDIRECTED MAIL MATTER.

People in general have but a faint conception of the enormous amount of misdirected mail matter which passes through the mails annually. In the Boston office last year there were 49,000 letters wrongly addressed, and in all these cases the proper addresses were ascertained and the letters forwarded to their destination, and yet the people wonder why their letters are delayed, although it is owing to their own carelessness. Of course the post-office officials are not responsible, but many people fail to see where the trouble lies. In further evidence of the want of care on the part of the public, it is stated that the number of letters sent to the dead letter office during the last year was nearly 4,500,000, or an average of 14,500 per day. These letters contained no less than $40,000 in cash and checks to the amount of $1,500,000.

ART IN WASHINGTON.

A committee room's decorations in the Capitol at Washington, is incidentally described by Joaquin Miller in a letter to the Providence *Star*, as follows: To begin with, the fresco labelled with "Oregon," it is said, represents a fox and a rattlesnake. The snake is not branded, as it should be, to prevent mistakes; but as there are about a dozen buttons painted on the small end, it is safe to say that it was meant for a rattlesnake, and not for a cow, nor a horse, nor a pig; yet from a view of the head end alone you might easily mistake it for either of these harmless domestic animals. The fox is down on the ground. The rattlesnake is up a tree. Now, if my memory serves me right, in Oregon you generally see the fox up in a tree, and the snake on the ground. However, this is a very small mistake. And as the gentle Italian who wrought this wonderful and fearful piece of work probably did it while lying on his back, or possibly standing on his head, we must not find too much fault if he merely got things upside down. But what positively annoyed me was to see this fox "going for" that rattlesnake! There are grapes under that fox's feet in abundance; possibly the traditional sour grapes; but that fox with lifted and ferocious face seems to cry out, "I don't want any grapes; but I will in my rage devour a rattlesnake."

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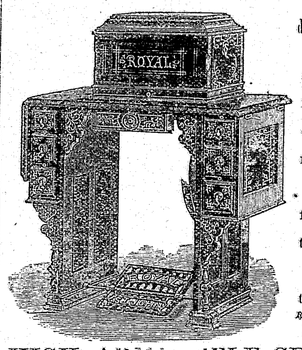

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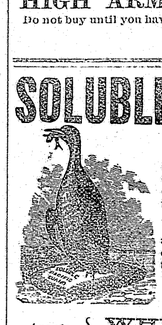

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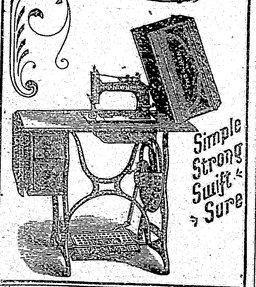

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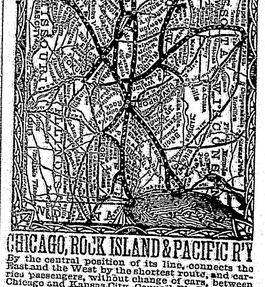

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